



US Army Corps
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Black River, Port Huron Harbor, MI

Project Features

- Flows southeast from Sanilac County into the St. Clair River at Port Huron
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 19 Sep 1890, 13 Jul 1892, 22 Sep 1922, 3 Jul 1930, 30 Aug 1935, 3 Apr 1970
- Deep draft harbor in outer portion and shallow draft channels in the upper river, all primarily serving recreational traffic
- Project depths: 20 feet in the main portion of the channel, 6 and 8 feet in the upper river channels
- Approximately 12,000 feet of maintained channel
- Dredged material is placed in upland placement sites as needed.
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Port Huron Township, St. Clair County, and various marinas and charter fishing interests

Project Requirements

- Periodic maintenance dredging on a 5 to 10 year cycle of approximately 15,000 to 35,000 cubic yards is required.
- The river was last dredged in 2015.
- Maintenance dredging is currently required.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Significant loss of local jobs
- Loss of recreational opportunities and charter and sport fishing in the area



Transportation Importance

- Home port of U.S. Coast Guard's 225-foot-long cutter Hollyhock. Hollyhock's primary missions include: aids-to-navigation, search and rescue, environmental protection, and ice breaking. The Hollyhock docks at the U.S. Coast Guard Station Port Huron.
- 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) 2020, 2021, and 2022
Black River, Port Huron Harbor, MI - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY20 Requirement	FY20 Appropriation	FY21 Requirement	FY21 Appropriation	FY22 Requirement	FY22 President's Budget
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	0	0	1,100	0	1,100	0
Real Estate Management	0	0	2	0	2	0
TOTAL	0	0	1,102	0	1,102	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Lisa McClain R-MI-10
- Senator Gary Peters D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI