



US Army Corps
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Caseville Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located at the mouth of the Pigeon River on the east shore of Saginaw Bay, about 17 miles southwest of Port Austin, MI
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 23 Oct 1962
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depth of 10 feet in the entrance channel and 8 feet in the inner channel
- Over 4,000 feet of maintained federal channel
- Approximately 1,800 feet of pier
- Dredged material placed along the beach as beach nourishment
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Michigan DNR, village of Caseville, and various marina owners

Project Requirements

- Approximately 10,000 to 18,000 cubic yards of material must be dredged on a 3- to 5-year cycle. Dredging requirements vary relative to shoaling patterns, usage, placement site and environmental coordination efforts.
- Maintenance dredging was completed in 2019 with FY18 funds, when approximately 22,800 cubic yards of material were removed.
- Maintenance dredging and sediment sampling are currently required.
- Funding is required to initiate a Section 216 appraisal to determine whether changed conditions exist and warrant structure modification.
- 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
- Federal breakwater protects infrastructure including public boardwalk
- Potential safety issues for recreational boating community



Transportation Importance

- This project serves as an important harbor of refuge and supports charter fishing and 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.
- Provides 200 recreational boat slips

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

Work Package	FY22 Requirement	FY22 Appropriation	FY23 Requirement	FY23 Appropriation	FY24 Requirement	FY24 President’s Budget
Maintenance Dredging	850	0	850	0	870	0
Sediment Sampling and Environmental Coordination	0	0	200	0	200	0
Critical Structure Safety Maintenance	50	0	50	0	50	0
Real Estate Management	6	0	7	7	7	0
Section 216 Initial Appraisal	0	0	20	0	20	0
TOTAL	906	0	1,127	7	1,147	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Lisa McClain R-MI-9
- Senator Gary Peters D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI