



US Army Corps
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Cedar River Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on Green Bay of Lake Michigan, about 25 miles northeast of Menominee, MI
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 2 Aug 1882, 27 Oct 1965
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depth is 8 feet at the upstream limit and 10 feet in the outer harbor channel
- Approximately 3,500 feet of maintained federal channel
- Approximately 1,400 feet of rubble mound piers
- Dredged material placed along the beach as beach nourishment
- Primary use is commercial fishing
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Ruleau Brothers, and Michigan DNR

Project Requirements

- Approximately 20,000 to 40,000 cubic yards of material must be dredged on a 3- to 5-year cycle.
- The harbor was last dredged in 2013 when approximately 26,000 cubic yards of material were removed with funds provided by the State of Michigan under a contributed funds agreement with USACE.
- Maintenance dredging and sediment sampling currently required.
- After the 2013 dredging, the local community reported that a large shoal formed across the channel entrance.
- Shoaling is present at both the entrance to the navigation channel and at a gap between the harbor's east pier and the shore.
- The local community has voiced a concern regarding sediment migrating into the navigation channel near the east pier. Pier repairs are required. Funding has been requested to develop repair plans and cost estimates.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of local jobs
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area
- Loss of recreational boating access
- Loss of safe harbor during storm events
- 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 interest.
- The local community has established 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
Cedar River 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	1,130	0	1,130	0	1,130	0
Sediment Sampling, Analysis, and Environmental Coordination	200	0	200	0	200	0
Critical Structure Safety Maintenance	50	50	0	0	0	0
Coastal Navigation Pier Repair Engineering and Design	730	0	730	0	730	0
Real Estate Management	5	0	4	4	6	0
TOTAL	2,115	50	2,064	4	2,066	0

Congressional Interests

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