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Chippewa Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on Isle Royale, an island in northwest Lake Superior, Chippewa Harbor is situated approximately 50 miles north of Michigan's Upper Peninsula shoreline.
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 2 Mar 1945, 17 Aug 1967
- Shallow draft project, serving recreational use; provides an entrance channel connecting the inner and outer harbors
- Subsistence harbor
- Project depth of 14 feet
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, National Park Service, Michigan DNR, and a variety of recreational interests

Project Requirements

- Requires infrequent maintenance dredging because of hard bottom channel

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally
- Loss of access to the National Park and other recreation opportunities in the area
- Loss of safe harbor during storm events



Transportation Importance

- This project serves as an important harbor of refuge and supports the National Park Service on Isle Royale as well as recreational boating.
- The navigation channel provides subsistence ferry service to Isle Royale from both Michigan and Minnesota harbor facilities that generates income from regional visitors to the area.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, 2023, and 2024
Chippewa 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 |
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| TOTAL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Congressional Interests

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