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Great Sodus Bay Harbor, NY

Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Ontario in the Village of Sodus Point, Wayne County, NY.
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbor Acts of 1829, 1882, 1925, 1930, 1935, and 1962.
- Deep draft recreational harbor.
- Project depths range from 20 to 22 feet. The current maintenance depth is 10 feet.
- The current maintenance depth is based on recreational needs only.
- The harbor consists of an entrance channel approximately 5,000 feet long and extends from the lake into Sodus Bay.
- The harbor entrance is delineated by the east breakwater and west pier and has a total length of 4,575 feet.
- Major stakeholders: charter fishing interests, U.S. Coast Guard, private marinas, and the recreational boating community.

Project Requirements

- The harbor typically requires dredging every 5 to 10 years to maintain the navigation channel. The harbor was last dredged in 2018 when approximately 56,000 cubic yards of material was removed.
- East Breakwater is deteriorated and requires repairs to ensure the federal navigation channel, Sodus Bay, and shorelines are adequately protected. The eastern end of the structure was recently repaired in 2021, however, several critical reaches are still deteriorated. Engineering and design of repairs for the critical reaches was completed in 2024 and subsequent construction is planned from 2025 through 2026.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Potential safety issues for recreational boating community.
- Negative economic impacts, locally and regionally.

Transportation Importance

- Great Sodus Bay is a critical harbor of refuge.
- Home to auxiliary U.S. Coast Guard station
- Harbor offers 990 slips for rent, as well as 5 boat launches with a total of 7 launch lanes that accommodate approximately 3,700 launches per season.
- Home to approximately 50 charter boats making approximately 1,445 trips per year.
- Generates \$9.5M in total revenues to accommodations, restaurants, retail, boat repair, and other services and industries; supporting 103 jobs and \$4.5M in labor income.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, 2024, and 2025
Great Sodus Bay Harbor, NY — Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY23 Requirement	FY23 Appropriation	FY24 Requirement	FY24 Appropriation	FY25 Requirement	FY25 President’s Budget
Maintenance Dredging - (Primary Work Package)	0	0	0	0	1,000	0
Engineering, Design, and Construction East Breakwater Repair	20,000	20,000*	300	300	0	0
Real Estate Management	7	7	7	7	8	8
TOTALS	20,007	20,007	307	307	1,008	8

**Congressionally Directed Spending*

Congressional Interests

- Representative Claudia Tenney R-NY-24
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY