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## Little Lake Harbor, MI

### Harbor Features

- Located on the south shore of Lake Superior, about 21 miles west of Whitefish Point and 30 miles east of Grand Marais, MI
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 2 Mar 1945
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depth is 12 feet
- Approximately 1,600 feet of maintained federal channel
- More than 1,100 feet of breakwaters
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Michigan DNR, Native American fishermen, and a variety of sport fishing interests

### Project Requirements

- Requires annual maintenance dredging of approximately 18,000 cubic yards
- Frequency of shoaling has raised concern of structure design adequacy. Funding is needed for an initial design deficiency assessment.
- Repairs to rubblemound breakwater are needed to protect navigation channel and reduce shoaling.
- Maintenance dredging was completed in 2018 with FY17 funds, when approximately 53,000 cubic yards of material were removed.
- Maintenance dredging is currently required. An estimated 120,000 cubic yards of material must be removed to authorized channel depth.

### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of local jobs
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area
- Loss of recreational boating access to Lake Superior
- 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 interests.
- 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) 2019, 2020, and 2021  
Little Lake Harbor, MI - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY19 Requirement</b>	<b>FY19 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY20 Requirement</b>	<b>FY20 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY21 Requirement</b>	<b>FY21 Appropriation</b>
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	750	0	900	0	900	0
Initial Design Deficiency Assessment of Breakwater	0	0	0	0	200	0
E&D for Breakwater Modifications	0	0	250	0	0	0
Breakwater Repairs	0	0	0	0	500	0
Real Estate Management	0	0	0	0	4	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

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