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Manistique Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the north shore of Lake Michigan, 135 miles northeast of Green Bay, WI and 220 miles north of Milwaukee, WI
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 3 Mar 1905, 2 Mar 1907, 17 May 1950
- Deep draft harbor; limited commercial traffic and recreation users
- Project depth is 19 feet in the entrance channel and 18 feet in the inner channel
- 724 tons of material shipped and received in 2018
- Maintained depth is authorized at 12 feet
- Nearly 3,000 feet of breakwater and pier structures and approximately 4,000 feet of maintained channel
- Dredged material is placed in upland placement sites as needed.
- Established commercial operations, which depend on the harbor, include: two commercial fishing operations, a tug-barge company providing fuels to Beaver Island, and a private recreational marina
- Public recreational marine facilities dependent upon the harbor include the Manistique Municipal Marina and the Manistique River Boating Access Site
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Manistique Papers, city of Manistique, Michigan DNR, commercial fishing enterprises, commodity barge operations, Beaver Island, Manistique Rentals Inc., charter and sports fishing interests, and recreational boating.



Project Requirements

- The harbor was dredged in 2010 and 2016. In 2016, approximately 21,000 cubic yards of material was removed. Dredging is currently required and funds were provided in the FY20 Work Plan.
- U.S. EPA cleanup and sediment capping efforts are currently restricting dredging operations.
- West Breakwater is in a state of failure and in need of repair; funding was received in FY19 Work Plan to initiate design.
- Critical breakwater safety maintenance is required.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of commercial fishing companies and commodity tug-barge service to Beaver Island
- Loss of recreational boating facilities at the Manistique Marina (public) and the Northern Lights Marina (private)

Transportation Importance

- The harbor serves as a harbor of refuge and supports a variety of sport and charter fishing interests and public/private recreational boating facilities.
- The harbor also supports two commercial fishing companies.
- Subsistence harbor - supports a tug-barge company providing gasoline, diesel, and home heating fuels to Beaver Island
- Harbor generates revenue locally and regionally from both commercial and public marine infrastructure located within the navigational channel
- The harbor is the only vessel launching facility within an eighty mile radius on the northern Lake Michigan/Upper Peninsula shoreline capable of launching law enforcement and search and rescue vessels.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2019, 2020, and 2021
Manistique Harbor, MI - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY19 Requirement	FY19 Appropriation	FY20 Requirement	FY20 Appropriation	FY21 Requirement	FY21 President's Budget
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	1,200	0	1,300	1,300	0	0
Engineering & Design – Breakwater Repair	200	200	0	0	0	0
Critical Breakwater Safety Maintenance	0	0	0	0	25	0
Real Estate Management	0	0	0	0	7	7
TOTAL	1,400	200	1,300	1,300	32	7

Congressional Interests

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