



US Army Corps
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Ogdensburg Harbor, NY

Harbor Features

- Located on the St. Lawrence River at the mouth of the Oswegatchie River in the City of Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 1919 and 1935
- Deep draft commercial harbor
- Project depths are 19 feet in the upper entrance channel and city front channel, 21 feet in the lower basin, and 27 feet in the lower entrance channel.
- 57K tons of material shipped and received in 2018
- Ranked 55th among Great Lakes harbors in 2018
- Interconnected with 2 commercial ports; receives from 2 ports
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority, and the recreational boating community.

Project Requirements

- The harbor requires dredging on an infrequent basis to maintain the navigation channel. The harbor was last dredged in 1984.
- The Corps completed a study under Continuing Authorities Program Section 107, Small Navigation Projects Program, to expand the federal channel area. The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority is the nonfederal sponsor. Construction is expected to begin in 2020.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Closing the harbor to commercial traffic requires commodities to be transported by rail and truck. This would increase annual emission rates by over 583 tons of harmful particulate matter and increase costs by \$109,000 due to increased railroad-related accidents and \$176,000 due to increased trucking-related accidents.
- Light loading: losses of between 2 and 3 feet of channel depth would result in increased transportation costs of between \$137,000 and \$253,000 annually.

Transportation Importance

- Ogdensburg is the only U.S port on the St. Lawrence River and is the northernmost port in New York.
- Salt is the major commodity shipped and received.
- Ogdensburg is a critical harbor of refuge.
- Home to Auxiliary U.S. Coast Guard station.
- Waterborne transportation facilitated by the harbor supports \$2.1M in business revenue, 9 direct, indirect, and induced jobs, and \$636k in labor income to the transportation sector.
- Commodities handled by the harbor support \$79.9M in business revenue, 423 direct, indirect, and induced jobs, and \$22.2M in labor income.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2019, 2020, and 2021
Ogdensburg Harbor, NY — Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY19 Requirement	FY19 Appropriation	FY20 Requirement	FY20 Appropriation	FY21 Requirement	FY21 President’s Budget
Sediment Sampling & Analysis	125	125	0	0	0	0
Real Estate Management	0	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	125	125	0	0	1	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Elise Stefanik R-NY-21
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY