



US Army Corps
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Port Clinton Harbor, OH

Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie at the mouth of the Portage River in the city of Port Clinton, Ottawa County, OH.
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 1872.
- Shallow draft recreational harbor.
- Project depth is 10 feet in the federal navigation channel.
- The channel is 5,000 feet long; it is 100 feet wide for the outer 4,200 feet and 200 feet wide for the inner 800 feet.
- The parallel east jetty and west jetty provide a total of 4,180 feet of protection to the harbor.
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, City of Port Clinton, Jet Express Ferry, private marinas, charter fishing interests, and the recreational boating community.

Project Requirements

- The harbor requires infrequent dredging to maintain the navigation channel. Maintenance dredging is currently required. Dredging was funded in FY23 and work is planned for 2024.
- East & West Piers are deteriorating, and sections require repairs to ensure adequate protection of the harbor. Engineering and design are scheduled to be completed in 2024. Subsequent construction funding is needed for the required repairs.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

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

Transportation Importance

- Port Clinton is a harbor of refuge.
- Supports commercial ferry service to Put-In-Bay and Middle Bass Islands
- Supports 78 seasonal charter fishing boats generating approximately \$1.2M in annual revenue.

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

Work Package	FY23 Requirement	FY23 Appropriation	FY24 Requirement	FY24 Appropriation	FY25 Requirement	FY25 Appropriation
Maintenance Dredging -Primary Work Package	900	900	0	0	0	0
Sediment Sampling & Analysis	100	100	0	0	0	0
Engineering & Design, Inside East Jetty Repair	0	0	0	0	0	0
Engineering and Design East and West Piers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Real Estate Management	10	10	10	0	11	11
TOTAL	\$1,010	\$1,010	\$6,010	\$0	\$5,011	\$11

Congressional Interests

- Representative Marcy Kaptur D-OH-9
- Senator J. D. Vance R-OH
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH