



US Army Corps
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South Haven Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the east shore of Lake Michigan, 77 miles northeast of Chicago, IL
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 11 Aug 1888, 3 Mar 1905, 30 Aug 1935
- Authorized as a commercial harbor, but current use is primarily recreational
- Project depths: 21 feet in the entrance channel and 19 feet in the river
- Approximately 3,100 feet of maintained federal channel
- More than 4,300 feet of maintained structures, including breakwaters, piers, and revetments
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, All Seasons Marina, Friends Goodwill, South Haven Yacht Club, River Bend Boat Club, Oak Harbor, River Noire, South Haven Municipal Marina, Black River Yacht Club, Black River Park Boat Launch, Boat Yard Basin, and Woodland Harbor

Project Requirements

- Requires periodic maintenance dredging of 18,000 cubic yards on a 2- to 4-year cycle
- Funding was received in the FY18 workplan for dredging; it was completed in 2020.
- No maintenance dredging is currently required.
- Beach nourishment is authorized and currently required.
- South revetment repairs currently required.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Significant loss of local jobs
- Loss of commercial fishing in the area

Transportation Importance

- South Haven is a harbor of refuge.
- This project serves primarily commercial fishing and recreational navigation interests.
- The local community has established a significant infrastructure around the harbor facilities that generates income from harbor users and visitors to the area.
- Harbor supports 1,000 seasonal and transient boat slips

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

Work Package	FY19 Requirement	FY19 Appropriation	FY20 Requirement	FY20 Appropriation	FY21 Requirement	FY21 Appropriation
South Revetment Repairs	0	0	0	0	750	0
Real Estate Management	0	0	0	0	15	0
Beach Nourishment	0	0	500	0	500	0
TOTAL	0	0	500	0	1,265	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Fred Upton R-MI-6
- Senator Gary Peters D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI