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## St. James Harbor, Beaver Island, MI

### Harbor Features

- Located in St. James Bay on Beaver Island, MI in Lake Michigan about 31 miles northwest of Charlevoix, MI
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 2 Mar 1945
- Recreational harbor
- Project depth is 14 feet
- Approximately 750 feet of maintained federal channel
- 18K tons of material shipped and received in 2018
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders include U.S. Coast Guard, Michigan DNR, Beaver Island Ferry Service, a variety of boating interests, and the Michigan Boating Association.

### Project Requirements

- This project requires infrequent maintenance dredging.
- The harbor was last dredged in 1957.

### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area
- Loss of only commercial transportation option to the mainland
- Loss of emergency and all essential services to the local community



### Transportation Importance

- Subsistence harbor - provides all essential services to the island. It is vital to emergency services and schools.
- This project serves as an important harbor of refuge and supports charter 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.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2019, 2020, and 2021  
St. James Harbor, Beaver Island, 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 President's Budget</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

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