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Tawas Bay Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the west shore of Lake Huron, about 45 miles northeast of the mouth of the Saginaw River
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 13 Aug 1968
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depths of 12 feet in the entrance channel, and 10 feet in the inner basin
- More than 1,500 feet of breakwater
- Major stakeholders include Michigan DNR, U.S. Coast Guard, and various boating and sport fishing interests.

Project Requirements

- Requires infrequent maintenance dredging; the harbor has not required maintenance dredging since it was originally constructed in 1978.
- Critical Breakwater Safety Maintenance is required.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally
- Loss of recreational opportunities and charter and sport fishing in the area
- Loss of recreational boating access to the Great Lakes
- Loss of safe harbor during storm events
- Potential safety issues for recreational boating community



Transportation Importance

- 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) 2022, 2023, and 2024
Tawas Bay Harbor, MI – Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY22 Requirement	FY22 Appropriation	FY23 Requirement	FY23 Appropriation	FY24 Requirement	FY24 President’s Budget
Critical Structure Safety Maintenance	0	0	25	0	25	0
TOTAL	0	0	25	0	25	0

Congressional Interests

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