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## Vermilion Harbor, OH

### Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie at the mouth of the Vermilion River in the City of Vermilion, Erie County, OH
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 1836, 1875, 1905, and 1958
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depths are 12 feet in the east lake approach channel, 12 feet in the entrance channel, 8 feet in the west lake approach channel, and 8 feet in the upper river channel.
- The east pier, west pier, and a detached breakwater protect a total of 2,560 feet of the harbor.
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Vermilion Port Authority, private marinas, charter fishing interests, and the recreational boating community.

### Project Requirements

- The harbor requires dredging every 5 to 10 years to maintain the navigation channel. The harbor was last dredged by the Corps in 2004 when 32,000 cubic yards of material were removed. Maintenance dredging is planned for 2020.
- Nonfederal dredging of the federal channel was completed in 2013.
- Repairs to deteriorated sections of the east and west pier are needed to ensure the entrance channel and shoreline are adequately protected. Repairs to the east pier are planned for 2020.



### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

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

### Transportation Importance

- Vermilion is a harbor of refuge.
- Supports 13 seasonal charter fishing boats generating approximately \$202,000 in annual revenue

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2019, 2020, and 2021  
Vermilion Harbor, OH — 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 Appropriation</b>
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	800	0	800	800	870	0
Sediment Sampling & Analysis	70	0	70	70	0	0
E&D, Construction West Pier Repair	200	0	5,700	0	250	0
E&D, Construction East Pier Repair	200	0	2,200	2,200	6,500	0
Real Estate Management	0	0	0	0	8	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,770</b>	<b>3,070</b>	<b>7,628</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Marcy Kaptur D-OH-9
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH
- Senator Rob Portman R-OH