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Presque Isle Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the south shore of Lake Superior near Marquette, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 3 Jun 1896, 13 Jun 1902, 30 Aug 1935, 14 Jul 1960.
- Deep draft commercial harbor.
- Project depths of 30 feet in the approach, 28 feet in the inner basin.
- 59th leading U.S. port with 9.1M tons of material shipped or received in 2006.
- Ranked 9th in 2006 among the Great Lakes Harbors.
- Over 4,500 feet of breakwater.
- Major stakeholders include U.S. Coast Guard, Lake Carriers' Association, Lake Superior & Ishpeming Railroad, Cleveland Cliffs Tilden, and Empire Mines.

Project Needs

- Need for maintenance dredging limited to a 10 to 15 year cycle. Channels are currently at authorized depths; the harbor was last dredged in 1984.
- Navigation structures are primarily maintained by Government Floating Plant.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Significant loss of jobs both locally and regionally.
- Light loading; loss of between 1 and 2 feet of channel depth results in increased transportation costs of between \$690,000 and \$1,786,000 annually.
- Deterioration of breakwater would cause hazards to vessel navigation and mooring and endanger harbor infrastructure.

Transportation Importance

- Major receiving port on the Great Lakes.
- Commodities include iron ore, coal, and limestone.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2008, 2009 and 2010
Presque Isle Harbor, MI - Project Needs and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY08 Need	FY08 Allocation	FY09 Need	FY09 President's Budget	FY10 Need	FY10 Budget*
Project Condition Surveys			19		20	
Maintenance Dredging – Backlog Work Package						
Structural Repairs - by Gov. Floating Plant	320	147	312	312	315	
TOTALS	320	147	331	312	335	

*FY10 President's Budget will be available in February 2009.

Congressional Interests

- Representative Bart Stupak D-MI-1
- Senator Carl Levin D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI