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Whitefish Point Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the south shore of Lake Superior, about 55 miles east of Grand Marais, MI and 40 miles west of Sault Ste. Marie, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 2 Mar 1945, 17 Aug 1967.
- Shallow draft recreational harbor.
- Project depth is 12 feet.
- Approximately 8 acres of maintained Federal channel.
- More than 1,500 feet of breakwaters.
- Harbor of Refuge.
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders include Michigan DNR, Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society, Native American fishermen, and a variety of sport fishing interests.

Project Needs

- This harbor requires maintenance dredging of approximately 17,000 cubic yards every 10 years and was last dredged in 2008.
- Navigation structures are primarily maintained by Government floating plant.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally.
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area.

Transportation Importance

- This project serves as an important Harbor of Refuge and supports charter fishing and Native American 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) 2008, 2009 and 2010
Whitefish Point, 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	20	20				
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package	220	220				
TOTALS	240	240	0	0	0	

*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