



Au Sable Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the west shore of Lake Huron, 8 miles north of Au Sable Point on northeast side of Saginaw Bay.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 2 Mar 1945
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depth of 10 and 12 feet
- Approximately 3,000 feet of maintained Federal channel
- More than 2,000 feet of maintained piers
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders include Michigan DNR and Oscoda Fellow Marina.



Project Requirements

- Approximately 20,000 to 40,000 cubic yards of material must be dredged on a three to seven year cycle; the harbor was last dredged in 2010 using MI regional dredging provision funding.
- Maintenance dredging is currently required within the harbor.

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 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) 2011, 2012 and 2013
 Au Sable Harbor, MI - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY11 Requirement	FY11 Work Plan	FY12 Requirement	FY12 Appropriation	FY13 Requirement	FY13 President's Budget
Project Condition Surveys					20	
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package					400	
Maintenance Dredging – Backlog Work Package						
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	420	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Dan Benishek R-MI-1
- Senator Carl Levin D-MI
- Senator Debbie Stabenow D-MI