



Grand Marais Harbor, MI

Harbor Features

- Located on the south shore of Lake Superior, 93 miles west of Sault Ste. Marie, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 14 Jun 1880, 17 May 1950
- Deep draft harbor, however, current use is primarily recreational.
- Project depths of 18 to 20 feet
- Approximately 3,000 feet of maintained Federal channel.
- Approximately 4,000 feet of piers, and a 5,770 feet long pile dike, currently in ruins.
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders include USFWS, Michigan DNR, Village of Grand Marais, and a variety of boating interests.

Project Requirements

- Requires infrequent maintenance dredging; the harbor was last dredged in 1973.
- Pile dike requires reconstruction. The cost is estimated at \$6M-\$9M. Engineering and environmental efforts are already complete.
- Local community planning on proceeding with repairs with state/local funds.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally.
- Loss of cruise vessels, and 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.
- This harbor is very scenic and serves as a cruise vessel port on Lake Superior.
- 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
Grand Marais 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	43		48			
Maintenance Dredging – Backlog Work Package	400		485		535	
Repairs to Pile Dike Breakwater – by Contract	7,145		8,900		8,900	
TOTALS	7,588	0	9,433	0	9,435	0

Congressional Interests

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