



Sandusky Harbor, OH

Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie in the city of Sandusky, Erie County, Ohio
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 1899, 1902, 1919, 1927, 1935, 1945 and 1960
- Deep draft commercial harbor
- Authorized depths vary from 21-26 feet in the Federal Channels
- Five year average (2006-2010) tonnage of 2.9M tons of material shipped and received
- Ranked 24th among the Great Lakes Harbors based on five year average (2006-2010) tonnage
- 100th leading U.S. port in 2010
- Over 2 miles of breakwater structures
- The Moseley, Bay, Dock and Straight Federal channels total 5.95 miles in length
- Major stakeholders include Norfolk Southern, Sandusky Dock Corp., City of Sandusky, George Gradel Co., Cedar Point Amusement Park, commercial ferries and private marinas

Project Requirements

- Approximately 140,000 cubic yards (CY) of material must be dredged annually. The harbor was last dredged in 2011 when approximately 140,000 CY of material was removed. Dredging is scheduled for 2013.
- Maintenance dredging is required in 2014.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Reduction of bulk commodities that pass through the harbor and generate \$33M annually in direct revenue while supporting 2,327 direct, indirect, and induced jobs that produce over \$151M per year in personal income.
- If the harbor was closed to commercial traffic, commodities would have to be transported by rail and truck. This would increase annual emission rates by over 3,129 tons of harmful particulate matter (PM-10) and increase costs by \$751,000 due to increased railroad related accidents, and \$234,000 due to increased trucking related accidents.
- Light loading; losses of between 1 and 2 feet of channel depth would result in increased transportation costs of between \$168,000 and \$398,000 annually.

Transportation Importance

- Major receiving and shipping port on the Great Lakes; and a Harbor of Refuge.
- Coal is the major commodity shipped.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2012, 2013 and 2014
Sandusky Harbor, Ohio - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY12 Requirement	FY12 Appropriation	FY13 Requirement	FY13 President's Budget	FY14 Requirement	FY14 President's Budget
Project Conditions Survey	90		90			
Maintenance Dredging – Primary			983	983	1,440	1,440
TOTALS	90	0	1,073	983	1,440	1,440

Congressional Interests

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