



St. James Harbor, Beaver Island, MI

Harbor Features

- Located in St. James Bay on Beaver Island, MI in Lake Michigan about 31 miles northwest of Charlevoix, MI.
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 2 Mar 1945
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depth is 14 feet
- Approximately 750 feet of maintained Federal channel
- Dredged material is placed along the beach as beach nourishment.
- Major stakeholders include Michigan DNR, Beaver Island Ferry Service, a variety of boating interests and the Michigan Boating Association.

Project Requirements

- This project requires infrequent maintenance dredging; the harbor was last dredged in 1957.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Loss of jobs locally
- Loss of recreational and charter fishing in the area
- Loss of only commercial transportation option to the mainland
- Loss of emergency and all essential services to the local community



Transportation Importance

- Subsistence Harbor - This harbor provides all essential services to the town. It is vital to emergency services and schools.
- 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) 2012, 2013 and 2014
St. James Harbor, MI - 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 Condition Surveys						
Maintenance Dredging – Primary Work Package						
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	0	0

Congressional Interests

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