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## Corps of Engineers awards contract to Michigan company for Lake St. Clair dredging project

**DETROIT** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District, awarded a contract to a Michigan firm for the dredging of Lake St. Clair.

An \$887,375 contract was awarded to Luedtke Engineering Company of Frankfort, Mich., to dredge 30,500 cubic yards of shoals from the navigation channel and place the dredged materials in a confined disposal facility. The work is scheduled to commence this spring and wrap up in early summer.

“Lake St. Clair is part of the Great Lakes Connecting Channels, and is a vital component of the Great Lakes navigation system,” said Lt. Col. James Davis, district engineer. “Removal of shoals from the navigation channel will keep it viable for ships transporting millions of dollars worth of raw materials such as coal, iron ore and limestone.”

A major mission of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is maintaining a navigation system that includes 94 harbors in and around Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, St. Clair and the Michigan portion of Lake Erie. Along with the Detroit River, the Corps in Detroit handles the connecting channels of the St. Marys and St. Clair Rivers. Maintenance of this system includes dredging of commercial and recreational harbors and connecting channels.

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