



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

DETROIT DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS

477 MICHIGAN AVENUE

DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226

13 March 2018

IN REPLY REFER TO

Dear Great Lakes Stakeholder:

Our Great Lakes shallow draft recreational harbors are facing many challenges due to aging infrastructure and constrained funding. In recent years, funding for shallow draft recreational harbors in the Great Lakes has been extremely limited. In February, the FY19 President's Budget was released. We are still awaiting final FY18 funding determination, which we expect later this spring. As we have done in past years, we have scheduled a meeting to focus specifically on the needs of shallow draft recreational harbors and to discuss funding issues and system requirements.

Please join us for a Shallow Draft Recreational Harbor meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time (EDT). Because of the large geographic area that we cover, we will host the meeting in Detroit, Michigan. We will also have Corps staff at seven locations in addition to Detroit. We welcome you to attend in person at any of these locations. We will also have a teleconference call-in number along with a webinar, which can be viewed from anywhere.

We will take this opportunity to meet with all interested stakeholders to discuss FY17 accomplishments, FY18 and FY19 requirements, and opportunities for stakeholder involvement. Stakeholder feedback is critical to our efforts; I strongly encourage you to take this opportunity to share your concerns, comments, and suggestions with us.

Details on the meeting locations, teleconference call-in number, and webinar are enclosed. Please confirm your plans to attend the meeting with Karen Kelly at (313) 226-6389 or by email at [Karen.A.Kelly@usace.army.mil](mailto:Karen.A.Kelly@usace.army.mil) by Friday, March 30th. In your response please indicate whether you will participate by phone or at which location if you plan to attend in person. Specific questions can be directed to the appropriate office's point of contact (POC).

I have included the meeting agenda along with this invitation. Please pass this invitation on to any colleagues who may be interested... We look forward to meeting with you in April.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marie T. Strum".

Marie T. Strum, P.E.

Great Lakes Navigation Team Leader



**Great Lakes Shallow Draft Recreational Harbor  
Stakeholder Meeting  
Detroit, Michigan  
April 10, 2018  
1:30p.m.-3:00p.m.EDT**



<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	
1:30-1:40	Welcome; Introductory Remarks	LTC Dennis Sugrue
1:40-1:50	Self-introduction of all participants	All
1:50-2:20	Recreational Harbor Funding Issues and Status	Marie Strum
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Funding Process and Trends</li><li>- 2017 Accomplishments</li><li>- Status of FY18 and FY19 Funding</li><li>- 2018 Dredging Needs and President's Budget</li><li>- Stakeholder Involvement</li></ul>	
2:20-2:35	Comments from Small Harbor Representatives	
2:35-2:55	Open Discussion	All
2:55-3:00	Closing Remarks	Marie Strum



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**Meeting Locations**

<p>Corps of Engineers Detroit District Office 477 Michigan Ave 7th Floor, ETS Conference Room Detroit, MI 48226 POC: Karen Kelly - (313) 226-6389</p>	<p>Corps of Engineers Duluth, MN Area Office 600 S. Lake Avenue Duluth, MN 55802 POC: Ed Parzych - (218) 720-5260 ext. 35262</p>
<p>Corps of Engineers Sault Ste Marie, MI Area Office 312 W. Portage Sault Ste Marie, MI 49783 POC: Jim Peach - (906) 635-3463</p>	<p>Corps of Engineers Grand Haven, MI Area Office 307 S. Harbor Street Grand Haven, MI 49417 POC: Dan Clark - (616) 842-5510 ext. 25517</p>
<p>Corps of Engineers Kewaunee, WI Area Office 124 N. Main Kewaunee, WI 54216 POC: Kim Ihlenfeldt - (920) 388-3720 ext. 83710</p>	<p>Corps of Engineers Chicago, IL District Office 231 S. La Salle Street, #1500 Chicago, IL 60604 POC: Phil Horstman - (312) 846-5501</p>
<p>Corps of Engineers Buffalo, NY District Office 1776 Niagara Street Second Floor, Conference Room A+B Buffalo, NY 14207 POC: Dave Swiatek - (716) 879-4371</p>	<p>Corps of Engineers Cleveland, OH Area Office 1035 E. 9th Street First Floor Conference Room Cleveland, OH 44114 POC: Bradley Faulkenberg - (937) 690-9548</p>

**If you are unable to travel to any of these locations, we also have a  
teleconference call-in number and webinar access:**

<p><b>AUDIO CONFERENCE ACCESS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* USA Toll-Free: (888) 557-8511</li> <li>* PARTICIPANT CODE: 1976506</li> <li>* HOST PASSWORD: 8720</li> <li>* SECURITY CODE: 1234</li> </ul>	<p><b>WEB MEETING ACCESS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* <a href="#">Join WebEx meeting</a></li> <li>* MEETING NUMBER: 962 037 871</li> <li>* HOST KEY: 191489</li> </ul>
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