



## Dunkirk Harbor, NY

### Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie in the city of Dunkirk, Chautauqua County, New York
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 1827, 1867, 1896, 1910, 1948 and Section 201 of the Flood Control Act of 1965
- Deep draft harbor
- Authorized depths are 17 feet in the outer channel, 16 feet in the inner channel, 8 feet in the access channel and 6 feet in the dock front recreation channels
- Over 1.3 miles of breakwater structures
- The outer, inner, access, and dock front Federal channels total approximately 7,000 feet in length
- Major stakeholders include the NRG Energy power plant, City of Dunkirk, private marinas, charter fishing interests and the recreational boating community

### Project Requirements

- Approximately 20,000 cubic yards (CY) of material must be dredged every 2 years to maintain a functional channel. The harbor was last dredged in 2009 when approximately 106,000 CY of material was removed.
- Maintenance dredging is required to restore the channel to the authorized depth.
- Deteriorated sections of the North Breakwater require repair to restore proper function of the structure



### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Potential safety issues for recreational boating community
- Potential functional loss of Harbor of Refuge
- Negative economic impacts, locally and regionally

### Transportation Importance

- Formerly active commercial harbor receiving coal for waterfront power plant; coal shipments ceased in 2005
- Harbor of refuge
- Supports 24 charter fishing boats generating approximately \$196,000 in net income annually

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2014, 2015 and 2016  
Dunkirk Harbor, New York - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY14 Requirement</b>	<b>FY14 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY15 Requirement</b>	<b>FY15 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY16 Requirement</b>	<b>FY16 President's Budget</b>
Maintenance Dredging – Primary	650		650		1,190	
Structure Repair – N. Breakwater (F/P)	800					
E&D North Breakwater Repair			250			
Project Condition Surveys	85					
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,535</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Tom Reed R-NY-23
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY