



US Army Corps
of Engineers
Buffalo District



Ohio Shallow Draft Harbors

Appropriation Category: Operations and Maintenance (O&M)

Congressional Interests:

Representative Marcy Kaptur D-OH-9

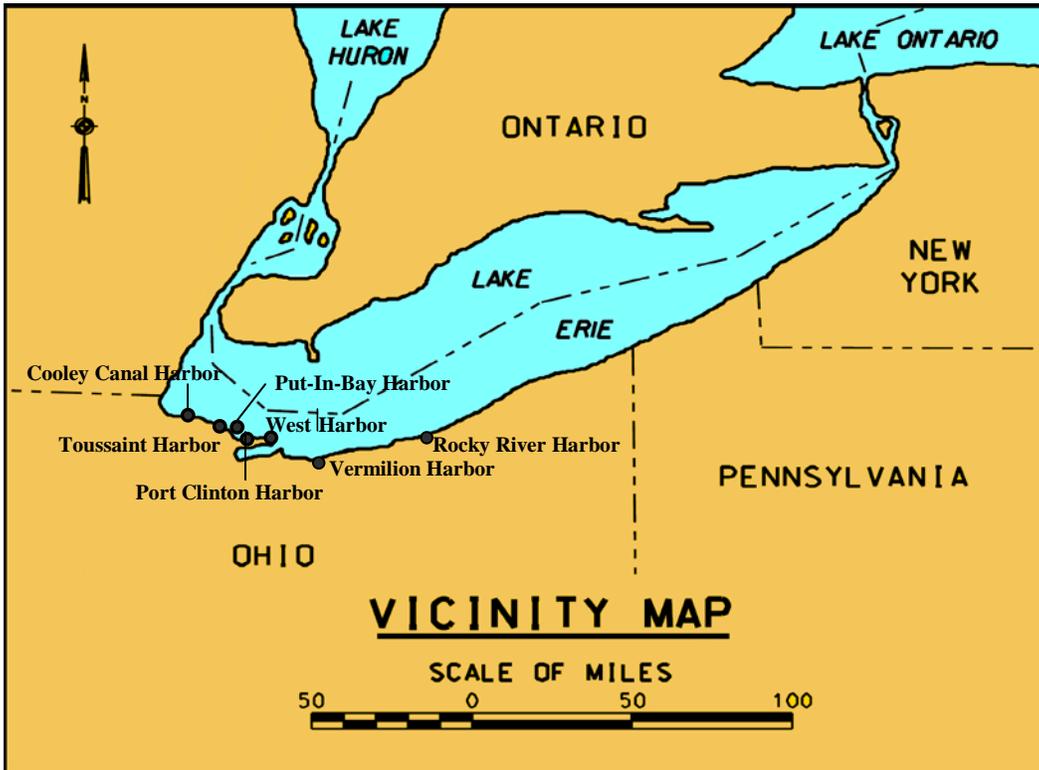
Senator Rob Portman R-OH

Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH

Work Package	FY14 Requirement	FY14 Appropriation	FY15 Requirement	FY15 Appropriation	FY16 Requirement	FY16 President's Budget
Cooley Canal, Sediment Sampling			80			
Port Clinton, E&D, Inside East Jetty Repair	200		200		200	
Port Clinton, Structure Repair Outer East Jetty	400				400	
Port Clinton, Sediment Sampling & Analysis			70			
Port Clinton, Maintenance Dredging					870	
Put-In-Bay, Sediment Sampling & Analysis			70			
Rocky River, Dredging	1,200				920	
Toussaint River, Technical Assistance to Locals	35				35	
Toussaint River, Dredging (Requires Cost Share)	670				740	
Toussaint River, Sediment Sampling & Analysis	60		60			
Vermilion, Dredging					875	
West, Dredging	1,020				1,020	
TOTALS	3,585	0	480	0	5,060	0

Current Condition: Most, if not all, of the Ohio shallow draft harbors are in serious need of maintenance dredging and/or navigation structure repair. Funding for recreational “low-use” harbors is a low priority in the budgetary process. Lack of maintenance at these harbors will lead to increased shoaling and structure deterioration; resulting in limited usage and/or unsafe navigation conditions within the harbor and navigation channels.

Background: Shallow draft harbors within OH include: Cooley Canal, Port Clinton, Put-In-Bay, Rocky River, Toussaint, Vermilion, and West Harbors. Shallow draft harbors are utilized for recreational purposes, with no defined commercial traffic. These projects generally consist of a shallow channel (4–14 feet deep), and relatively small system of breakwaters and/or piers.



Significance: The Ohio shallow draft harbors help to support the regional economy by providing an additional source of revenue, jobs and income to the area. The harbors support recreational interests and numerous regionally significant businesses interests. Major business interests include marinas, charter fishing, tourism, gasoline and marine product sales. In addition, all of the harbors serve as designated harbors of refuge; with the purpose of providing refuge to water crafts during severe lake storms.