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## Cattaraugus Creek Harbor, NY

### Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie at the mouth of Cattaraugus Creek, Cattaraugus County, New York
- Authorization: River & Harbor Act of 1968
- Shallow draft recreational harbor
- Project depths are 8 feet in the entrance channel and 6 feet in the Cattaraugus Creek channel
- The harbor is protected by the North and South Breakwaters with a total length of 2,450 feet
- Construction of the project provided flood control benefits to the local community by removing shoals at the mouth of the creek and thereby reducing the threat of annual ice jam flooding
- Maintenance for this project is cost-shared 59% Federal and 41% local cost-share partner. The local cost-share partner is the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (NYSPRHP)
- Major stakeholders include New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), NYSPRHP, the Seneca Nation, private marinas, charter fishing interests and the recreational boating community

### Project Requirements

- Maintenance dredging is required on an infrequent basis. The project has not been dredged since construction in 1983. Dredging is currently required.
- Sections of the south and west breakwaters are starting to deteriorate and require repairs



### 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

- Harbor of Refuge
- Supports 11 charter fishing boats generating approximately \$90,000 in net income annually

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, 2016 and 2017  
Cattaraugus Creek Harbor, New York - Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY15 Requirement</b>	<b>FY15 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY16 Requirement</b>	<b>FY16 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY17 Requirement</b>	<b>FY17 President's Budget</b>
E&D, South and West Breakwater Repair	205		205		205	
Maintenance Dredging (Incl Sediment Sampling & Analysis)	590		590		60	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Chris Collins R-NY-27
- Representative Tom Reed R-NY-23
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY