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Cattaraugus Creek Harbor, NY

Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie in the Town of Hanover, Cattaraugus County, NY
- Authorization: Rivers & 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 north and south breakwaters provide a total of 2,450 feet of protection to the harbor.
- The project provides flood control benefits to the local community by removing shoals at the mouth of the creek and reducing the threat of annual ice jam flooding.
- Maintenance for this project is cost-shared 59 percent federal and 41 percent local cost share partner. The local cost share partner is the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (NYSOPRHP).
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), NYSOPRHP, the Seneca Nation, private marinas, charter fishing interests, and the recreational boating community

Project Requirements

- The harbor requires maintenance dredging to maintain the navigation channel. No dredging has occurred since construction in 1983.
- Sections of the south and west breakwaters are starting to deteriorate and require repairs to prevent further deterioration.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Potential safety issues for the public and recreational boating community.
- Negative economic impacts, locally and regionally.

Transportation Importance

- Cattaraugus Creek is a 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) 2021, 2022, and 2023
Cattaraugus Creek Harbor, NY — Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$000)**

Work Package	FY21 Requirement (\$000)	FY21 Appropriation (\$000)	FY22 Requirement (\$000)	FY22 President’s Budget (\$000)	FY23 Requirement (\$000)	FY23 President’s Budget (\$000)
Sediment Sampling & Analysis	70	0	150	0	150	0
Maintenance Dredging	0	0	1,000	0	0	0
Engineering, Design and Construction South and West Breakwater Repair	0	0	5,000	0	100	0
Real Estate Management	3	0	3	0	3	0
TOTAL	73	0	6,153	0	253	0

Congressional Interests

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