



Rochester Harbor, NY

Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Ontario in the City of Rochester, Monroe County, NY
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 1829, 1882, 1945, and 1960
- Deep draft commercial harbor
- Project depths are 24 feet in the approach channel, 23 feet in the entrance channel, and 21 feet in the Genesee River.
- 83k tons of material shipped and received in 2017
- Ranked 52nd among Great Lakes harbors in 2017
- The east and west piers provide a total of 1.1 miles of protection to the harbor.
- Lake approach, entrance, and Genesee River federal channels total approximately 2.7 miles in length.
- Major stakeholders include the Rochester-Monroe County Port Authority, Port of Rochester, U.S. Coast Guard, and Essroc Cement Corporation.

Project Requirements

- The harbor requires approximately 220,000 cubic yards of dredging every 2 years to maintain the navigation channel. The harbor was last dredged in 2019 when approximately 170,000 cubic yards of material was removed.
- Approximately 1,000 ft. of the east pier has deteriorated and is in need of repairs. Construction was funded in 2019 and is scheduled to start in 2020 on the worst reach. Additional funding is needed to repair the full reach.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Reduction of bulk commodities that pass through the harbor and generate \$611M annually in business revenue. Reduction in support to 3,681 direct, indirect, and induced jobs that produce over \$183M per year in personal income in the transportation and commodity related industries.
- Closing the harbor to commercial traffic requires commodities transported by rail and truck. This would increase annual emission rates by over 816 tons of harmful particulate matter and increase costs by \$154,000 due to increased railroad-related accidents and \$257,000 due to increased trucking-related accidents.
- Light loading: losses of between 3 and 4 feet of channel depth would result in increased transportation costs of between \$1,425,000 and \$5,212,000 annually.

Transportation Importance

- Receiving and shipping port on the Great Lakes and a critical Harbor of Refuge
- Location of U.S. Coast Guard station
- Cement is the major commodity shipped and received.

- Home to 1,034 recreational slips, 5 boat launch lanes, and 26 charter boats
- Generates recreational economic benefits totaling \$10M and supports approximately 140 jobs

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, 2019, and 2020
Rochester Harbor, NY — Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$1,000)**

Work Package	FY18 Requirement	FY18 Appropriation	FY19 Requirement	FY19 Appropriation	FY20 Requirement	FY20 President’s Budget
Maintenance Dredging	1,200	0	1,200	1,200	1,200	0
Engineering & Design and Constr., East Pier Repair	4,750	0	4,750	4,750	5,000	0
Sediment Sampling & Analysis	0	0	0	0	70	0
TOTAL	5,950	0	5,950	5,950	6,270	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Joseph Morelle D-NY-25
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY