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Great Lakes Regional Sediment Budget

Project Location: This project covers the entire near-shore area of the United States on Lake Huron, Lake Michigan, and Lake Superior.



Description of Problem: Regional sediment budgets are valuable tools for supporting regional planning near shore efforts. There is a vital need for the development of sediment budgets for these three lakes to inform response to coastal change rates and opportunities to restore or enhance shorelines.

Proposed Project: The goal is to develop a sediment budget coverage for the U.S. portion of the Great Lakes shoreline. The coverage data will be publicly available within a web interface. Geospatial data will be collected from historical aerial imagery, internal USACE data and state geospatial data. Data gaps will also be identified for areas where sediment budget development may not advance beyond a conceptual stage, to prioritize future research efforts.



Partners and Collaboration: NOAA, ERDC, USGS, States of Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.

Project Benefits: The project will develop a sediment budget for all of the Great Lakes. The new data will add to existing sediment budget data for Lake Erie and Ontario. All of the data and metadata will be publicly available through a web interface.

Project Status: FY19 funds are being used in FY20 to collect state stakeholder data, analyze aerial imagery and develop a conceptual sediment budget for each of the three lakes.

Estimated Project Costs	
Federal	\$635,000
Non-Federal	\$0
Total	\$635,000

Project Milestones	
Stakeholder Data Collection	DEC 2019 (A)
Data Integration	JAN 2020
Conceptual Sediment Budgets	SEP 2020



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