



US Army Corps
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Sturgeon Point Marina, NY

Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie, 29 miles southwest of Buffalo, in the town of Evans, Erie County, NY
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 1960
- Shallow draft commercial/recreational harbor was federally constructed and is locally operated and maintained
- Project depths are 8 feet in the entrance channel and 4 to 6 feet in the harbor basin.
- East and west breakwaters provide a combined length of 840 feet of protection to the harbor. A shoreline revetment provides an additional 580 feet of protection.
- Existing local cooperation agreement dated October 26, 1987, between the U.S Army Corps of Engineers Buffalo District and Town of Evans states, “the Town shall operate and maintain all portions of the Project, except for aids to navigation, and the Government shall pay annually to the Town twelve percent (12%) of the total incurred operation and maintenance costs of the general navigation features.”
- The agreement also states that in the event annual appropriations are insufficient to meet expenditures for the fiscal year, either party may terminate the agreement or suspend performance.
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, the town of Evans, charter fishing interests, and the recreational boating community.



Project Requirements

- Annual Corps reimbursement to the nonfederal sponsor, the Town of Evans, for sand bypassing and/or dredging to maintain the navigation channel
- In 2016 and at recent meetings USACE notified the Town of needed repairs to deteriorated sections of the west breakwater. The Town is currently evaluating potential repairs.
- Federal funds were appropriated in FY19, the first time since FY05.

Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Failure to dredge will result in continued shoaling, reduced channel dimensions, and unsafe navigation conditions.
- Potential safety issues for recreational boating community.
- Negative economic impacts to local economy.

Transportation Importance

- Sturgeon Point Marina 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
Sturgeon Point Marina, 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)
Annual Sand Bypass	20	0	10	0	20	0
Real Estate Management	5	0	5	0	4	0
TOTAL	25	0	15	0	24	0

Congressional Interests

- Representative Chris Jacobs, R-NY-27
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY