



Sandusky Harbor, OH

Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie in the city of Sandusky, Erie County, OH
- Authorization: River & Harbor Acts of 1899, 1902, 1919, 1927, 1935, 1945, and 1960
- Deep draft commercial harbor
- Project depths: 26 feet in the Mosely Channel, 25 feet in the Bay Channel, 22 feet in the Dock Channel, and 21 feet in the Straight Channel.
- 3.5M tons of material shipped and received in 2017
- Ranked 87th among U.S ports and 19th among Great Lakes harbors in 2017
- Interconnected with 11 commercial ports: ships to 8 ports and receives from 3 ports
- Over two miles of breakwater structures
- The Moseley, Bay, Dock, and Straight federal channels total 5.95 miles in length.
- Major stakeholders include Norfolk Southern, Sandusky Dock Corp., George Gradel Co., Cedar Point Amusement Park, commercial ferries, and private marinas.

Project Requirements

- The harbor requires approximately 140,000 cubic yards of dredging every year to maintain the navigation channel. The harbor was last dredged in 2018, when approximately 330,000 cubic yards of material were removed. Maintenance dredging is scheduled for 2019 and 2020.



Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

- Reduction of bulk commodities that pass through the harbor and generate \$604M annually in business revenue. Reduction in support to 3,495 direct, indirect, and induced jobs that produce over \$30.7M per year in personal income in the transportation and commodity related industries.
- Closing the harbor to commercial traffic would require commodities to be transported by rail and truck. This would increase annual emission rates by over 20,945 tons of harmful particulate matter and increase costs by \$3,956,000 due to increased railroad-related accidents and \$6,584,000 due to increased trucking-related accidents.
- Light loading: losses of between 1 and 2 feet of channel depth would result in increased transportation costs of between \$382,000 and \$818,000 annually.

Transportation Importance

- Major receiving and shipping port on the Great Lakes and a Harbor of Refuge
- Coal is the major commodity shipped

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, 2019, and 2020
Sandusky Harbor, OH — 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	1,650	1,650	1,300	1,300	880	880
Environmental Compliance	20	0	0	0	20	20
Real Estate Management	0	0	13	13	13	13
Dredged Material Management Plan	0	0	0	0		0
TOTAL	1,670	1,650	1,313	1,313	1,063	913

Congressional Interests

- Representative Marcy Kaptur D-OH-9
- Senator Rob Portman R-OH
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH