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## Put-In-Bay Harbor, OH

### Harbor Features

- Located on Lake Erie on the north side of South Bass Island, Ottawa County, OH
- Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Act of 1937
- Shallow draft commercial harbor
- Project depths are 14 feet in the entrance channel and 8 feet in the harbor basin.
- 6k tons of material shipped and received in 2020
- Ranked 63<sup>rd</sup> among Great Lakes harbors in 2020
- Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Put-In Bay Township Port Authority, Jet Express Ferry, Miller Boat Line, commercial shipping interests, charter fishing interests, and the recreational boating community

### Project Requirements

- The harbor requires infrequent dredging to maintain the navigation channel. The project was last dredged in 2000 when 5,000 cubic yards of sediment were removed.

### Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project

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



### Transportation Importance

- Provide safe access point to South Bass Island and town of Put-In Bay for residents, tourists, commercial ferries, and commercial shippers.
- Destination for commercial ferry service departing from Port Clinton Harbor, OH.
- Commodities shipped or received include limestone, manufactured products, distillate fuel oil, and gasoline.
- Put-In-Bay is a harbor of refuge.
- Supports 4 seasonal and 50 transient charter fishing boats generating approximately \$62,000 in annual revenue.
- Miller Boat line moors 5 ferries at its harbor docks in season and layover.
- Township Port Authority maintains 81 mooring buoys.
- Annual transient dock fees within the harbor exceed \$1,800,000.
- Approx. 130 ferry arrivals/departures from harbor docks with daily summer visitation at times over 10,000 per day.
- Typical in season Saturday will have over 1,000 boats moored in the harbor.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, 2023, and 2024  
Put-In-Bay Harbor, OH — Project Requirements and President’s Budget (\$1,000)**

<b>Work Package</b>	<b>FY22 Requirement</b>	<b>FY22 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY23 Requirement</b>	<b>FY23 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY24 Requirement</b>	<b>FY24 President’s Budget</b>
Sediment Sampling & Analysis	85	0	85	0	85	0
Real Estate Management	1	0	2	2	2	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0</b>

**Congressional Interests**

- Representative Marcy Kaptur D-OH-9
- Senator J. D. Vance R-OH
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH