



MORRO BAY HARBOR, CA

Operations and Maintenance

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

BUILDING STRONG.

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

Morro Bay Harbor is located halfway between Los Angeles and San Francisco in San Luis Obispo County. The project consists of the Entrance Channel, the Main Channel, the Navy Channel, and the Morro Channel. The harbor is a Critical Harbor of Refuge for the region. The U.S. Coast Guard is stationed in the harbor, executing its homeland security mission. The City of Morro Bay Harbor Patrol also operates in the harbor, providing search and rescue, law enforcement operations, and supporting the homeland security mission. The harbor is also home for commercial fishing; more than 2.2 million pounds of fish were recorded in the 2011 fishing landing records.



AUTHORIZATION:

Rivers and Harbors Act of 1945.

ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2021:

Funds will be used to perform maintenance dredging of the Entrance Channel. USACE hopper dredge Yaquina, dredged approximately 160,000 cubic yards of material in MAY 2020. Hydrographic and biological monitoring surveys were also performed.

FY22 PLANNED ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Optimal funding could be used to perform maintenance dredging of Entrance Channel for 25 days by USACE dredge Yaquina. Hydrographic and biological monitoring surveys would also be performed.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION:

The Harbor is located in a region where ocean wave and current actions are very severe during most of the year. There is no detached breakwater at the harbor entrance to protect the vessels inbound and outbound operations. The only protection for the vessels is the depth of the entrance to reduce some of the wave actions; therefore, maintaining an adequate depth at the entrance to the harbor is critical.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST:

Congressperson Carbajal (CA-24)

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

As of 5 May 21

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|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Estimated Federal Cost | \$2,800,000 |
| Estimated Non-Federal Cost | 0 |
| Total Estimated Project Cost | \$2,800,000 |
| Allocation thru FY20 | \$2,722,500 |
| Allocation for FY21 | \$2,772,000 |
| President's Budget for FY22 | TBD |
| House Report for FY22 | TBD |
| Senate Report for FY22 | TBD |
| Balance to Complete After FY22 | N/A |

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