



US Army Corps
of Engineers
Charleston District

Project Fact Sheet

Charleston Harbor, SC

Charleston County, SC

P2#: 476887

Congressional Districts: Nancy Mace (SC-01)

Appropriation: Operation & Maintenance
Phase: NA
Business Line: Navigation

Authority: Multiple River & Harbor Acts, Beginning 1878, Latest Sec 101 WRDA 96 (P.L. 104-303)

Location Description: Charleston Harbor is located on the coast of South Carolina about 15 miles south of the midpoint of the coastline. Charleston Harbor supports a vital mission in the defense of our nation and is one of the nation's 17 strategic ports. It is the 4th busiest container port on the East coast.

Project Description: This project consists of maintenance of 38.6 miles of channel, three turning basins, and one anchorage basin. The lower harbor requires dredging every year, the entrance channel every other year, and the upper harbor approximately every 15 - 18 months.

Current Status: As of 26 April 2021 - The District continues to identify operation and maintenance dredging requirements in conjunction with the on-going deepening project. The District has reevaluated the disposal fees we charge our 3rd party users and anticipate an increase from .51 per CY to \$2.00 per CY. This is due to an increase in cost of maintaining the Clouter Creek disposal areas. In addition, 3rd party users will have capacity restrictions in Clouter Creek due the Post 45 deepening project. It is anticipated the capacity restriction will limit the amount of material private users can place into Clouter Creek for FY21 and FY22. It is expected that regional prioritization of limited O&M funds will prevent funding of mosquito abatement activities for the foreseeable future.

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