



Using Dredged Material for Environmental Enhancements



Together we can find ways to put 1.5 million cubic yards of sand, rocks and sediment back to work each year to restore our natural areas, parks and coastal resources.



natural areas & parks

dredged material can create new parks and grow healthy ecosystems. The Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve is an 88-acre public site that grew out of natural seeding on the former Dike 14.

beaches

tourism spending in Ohio's coastal counties tops \$12.9 billion annually. Better beaches will grow the positive economic impact.

wetlands & green infrastructure

absorbing nutrients, storing water and providing habitats for plants, animals, insects, reptiles, birds, fish & amphibians are roles of wetlands. They are popular places for recreation ranging from hunting to fishing to birding. Urban wetlands & green infrastructure add beauty and water infiltration.

Floating wetlands [above picture] and living shorelines are ways to use dredged material.



nearshore

the health of Lake Erie's world-class fishery is directly related to the quality of nearshore habitats. Minimizing shore structures' impacts and restoring natural nearshore characteristics will positively influence the habitats that support the Lake Erie fishery.

Use potential: building green infrastructure, rain gardens and wetlands.



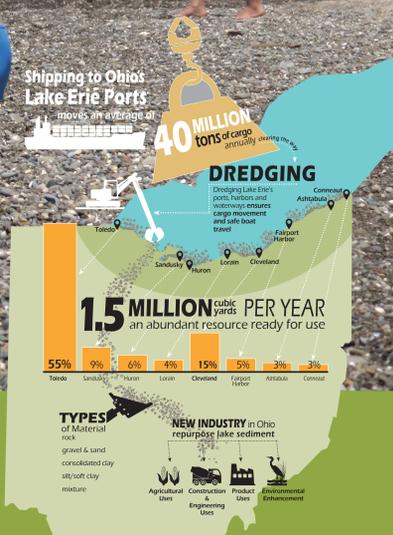
Dredged material can grow public places and improve recreational access.



Lake Erie is known for walleye. Improving the nearshore improves their habitat.



Our actions will improve our water, our communities and Ohio's economy.



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