

Come Relax on

TAWAS BAY

A Future Great Lakes Cruise Destination

Natural Shoreline and Forest



Natural Adventure Excursions

- Au Sable River Kayak Tour
- Lumberman's Monument & Iargo Springs Preserve
- Sandy Beaches

Quaint Local Shopping & Dining



Walkable Downtown

- Local Cafés & Chocolatier
- Retail Shopping and Dining
- Beach Picnics and Parks

Historic Sites



Lighthouse Excursion

- Tawas Point State Park
- Fishing and Birding
- Private Tours of the Historic Lighthouse

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WHY TAWAS BAY?

The Approach

In 2010, Develop Iosco developed a study to evaluate the ability for the East Tawas Dock/State Harbor to support the mooring of Great Lakes cruise ships. The harbor provides for an excellent sheltered location for ships to harbor. Depths in the harbor range from approximately 20-25 feet at the entrance and 10-12 feet adjacent to the main pier and marina area.



Tendering

The 2010 study expands to detail the modifications needed to support future cruise ship docking. At this time, cruise ships have the ability to tender passengers to shore at the Michigan DNR main dock as indicated in the image above. If Tawas Bay becomes a cruise destination, modifications will be prioritized to allow cruise ships to dock at the proposed area on the US Army Corp section, with permits easily obtained by either agency.

Walkability

Once on shore, patrons have access to the quaint walkable streets of downtown East Tawas, where there are dozens of shops, boutiques, bars, and restaurants. The public beach is also just steps away for easy relaxation and natural beauty. Our excursions to the East Tawas area including the natural wonders of the Huron National Forest will also be available for patrons to access straight from the dock.



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Please refer to the attached proposal for more details.