

GREAT LAKES LEAK WATER LOSS DWARFS REGIONAL NEEDS

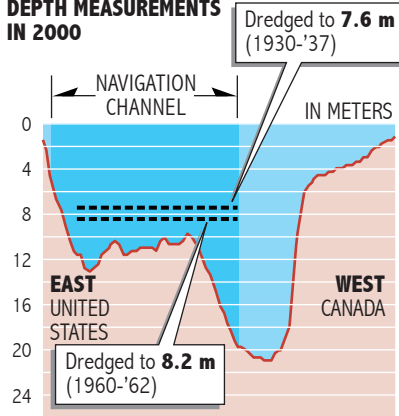
As the fight over the future of Great Lakes water roils in the region, a recent study alleges a federal dredging project on the St. Clair River completed in 1962 inadvertently “pulled the plug” on lakes Michigan and Huron. The lakes are losing far more water than would be needed to meet the needs of Milwaukee’s thirsty suburbs. The problem only became apparent recently.



DEEPENING CHANNEL BLAMED FOR DROPPING WATER LEVELS

Three major dredging projects and natural erosion have carved a channel in St. Clair River that became much deeper than planned, creating a big hole that hastens the draining of lakes Huron and Michigan into Lake Erie.

ST. CLAIR RIVER DEPTH MEASUREMENTS IN 2000



IN MILLION GALLONS

