

St. Mary's River U.S. Coast Guard Lookout Stations

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1908 SSM (Detroit Pub. Co.)

#7 Sugar Island
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#1 1976 (Mack Earle**)

#3 Little Rapid's Cut (Mack Earle**)

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#4 1982 (Mack Earle**)

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#4 1959 the rock cut was
drained for dredging (NIHS*)



#6 2025 only crib rocks remain (Mike Krell)

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*Neebish Island
Historical Society
** M. Mack Earle
Family Archives

#1 Neebish
(Mack Earle **)

#4 2024 (Dusty King)

#5 Moon Island
(NIHS*)

#1 1900 (NIHS*)

- 1855- Channel opened.
- 1894 -Middle Neebish Channel opened.
- 1902- LO#1 (Johnson's Point), #2 (Neebish Dike), #3 (Little Rapid's Cut) built.
- 1908 -West Neebish Channel opened.
LO#4 (Rock Cut) built.
- 1916- LO#5 (Moon Island, Munuscong Lake) built.
- 1918- LO#6 (Brush Point) built.
- 1934 -LO#7 (Nine Mile on Sugar Island) built.
- 1949 -LO#2, #5, & #7 disestablished.
- 1957- LO#6 disestablished.
- [1965- LO#1, #3, & #4 had closed circuit TV]
- 1976- LO#1 burned. [LO#3 was also burned.]

Source: "CG History on the St. Mary's
River" by Mark S. Gill