HISTORIC LIGHTHOUSES OF MICHIGAN

CRISP POINT LIGHTHOUSE

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CRISP POINT LIGHTHOUSE HISTORY

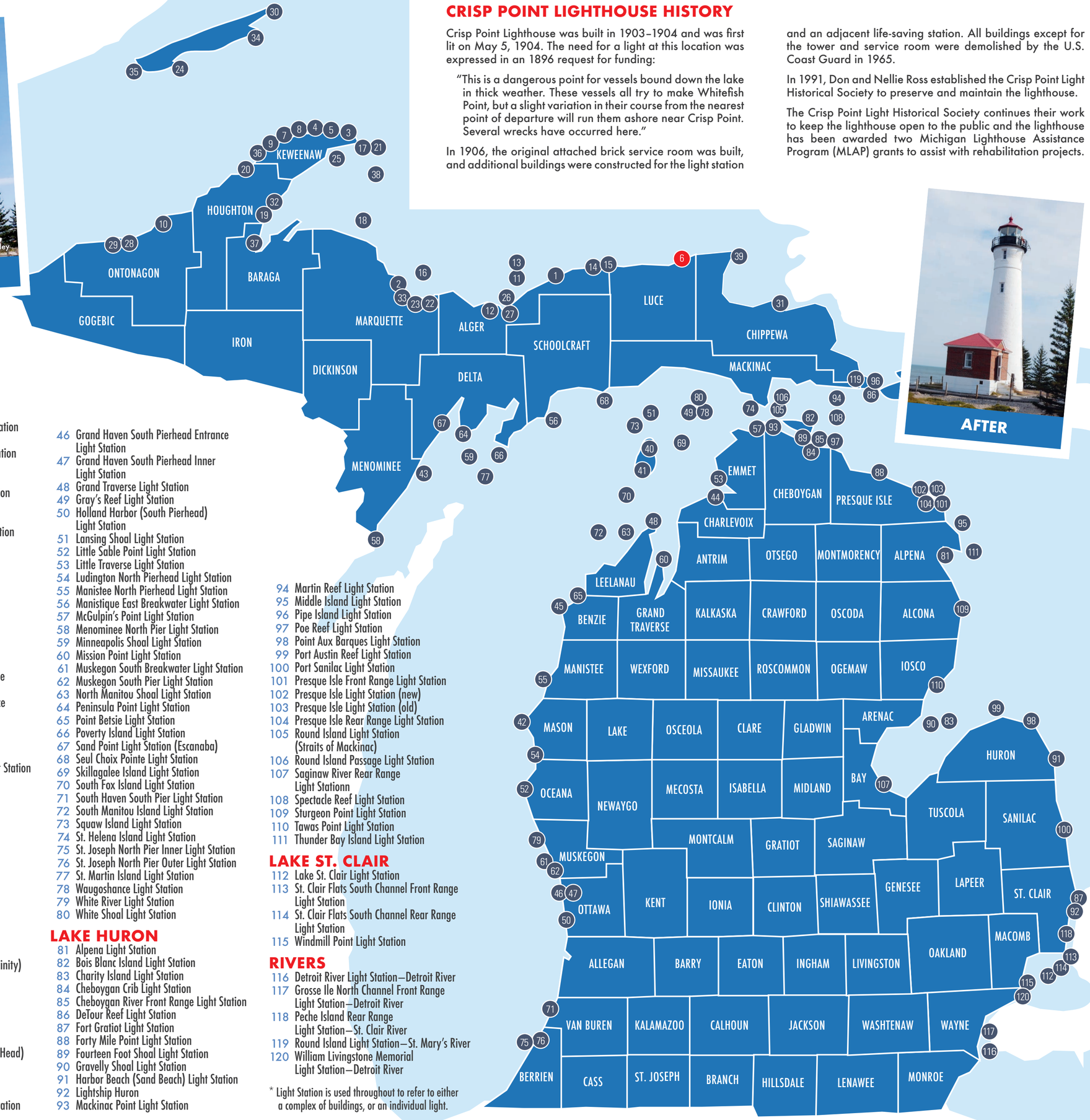
Crisp Point Lighthouse was built in 1903–1904 and was first lit on May 5, 1904. The need for a light at this location was expressed in an 1896 request for funding:

> "This is a dangerous point for vessels bound down the lake in thick weather. These vessels all try to make Whitefish Point, but a slight variation in their course from the nearest point of departure will run them ashore near Crisp Point. Several wrecks have occurred here."

In 1906, the original attached brick service room was built, and additional buildings were constructed for the light station and an adjacent life-saving station. All buildings except for the tower and service room were demolished by the U.S. Coast Guard in 1965.

In 1991, Don and Nellie Ross established the Crisp Point Light Historical Society to preserve and maintain the lighthouse.

The Crisp Point Light Historical Society continues their work to keep the lighthouse open to the public and the lighthouse has been awarded two Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program (MLAP) grants to assist with rehabilitation projects.



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1 Au Sable Light Station
2 Big Bay Point Light Station
3 Copper Harbor Front Range Light Station
4 Copper Harbor Light Station
5 Copper Harbor Rear Range Light Station
6 Crisp Point Light Station
7 Eagle Harbor Light Station
8 Eagle Harbor Rear Range Light Station
9 Eagle River Light Station
10 Fourteen Mile Point Light Station
11 Grand Island East Channel Light Station
12 Grand Island Harbor Rear Range Light Station
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14 Grand Marais Harbor Inner Range Light Station
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16 Granite Island Light Station
17 Gull Rock Light Station
18 Huron Island Light Station
19 Keweenaw Waterway Lower Entrance Light Station
20 Keweenaw Waterway Upper Entrance Light Station
21 Manitou Island Light Station
22 Marquette Breakwater Outer Light
23 Marquette Harbor Light Station
24 Menagerie Island (Isle Royale) Light Station
25 Mendota Light Station
26 Munising Front Range Light Station
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28 Ontonagon Harbor West Pierhead Light Station
29 Ontonagon Light Station
30 Passage Island Light Station
31 Point Iroquois Light Station
32 Portage River Light Station
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34 Rock Harbor Light Station
35 Rock of Ages Light Station
36 Sand Hills Light Station
37 Sand Point Light Station (Baraga vicinity)
38 Stannard Rock Light Station
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LAKE MICHIGAN

40 Beaver Island Harbor Light Station (St. James)
41 Beaver Island Light Station (Beaver Head)
42 Big Sable Point Light Station
43 Cedar River Light Station
44 Charlevoix South Pier Light Station
45 Frankfort North Breakwater Light Station
46 Grand Haven South Pierhead Entrance Light Station
47 Grand Haven South Pierhead Inner Light Station
48 Grand Traverse Light Station
49 Gray's Reef Light Station
50 Holland Harbor (South Pierhead) Light Station
51 Lansing Shoal Light Station
52 Little Sable Point Light Station
53 Little Traverse Light Station
54 Ludington North Pierhead Light Station
55 Manistee North Pierhead Light Station
56 Manistique East Breakwater Light Station
57 McGulpin's Point Light Station
58 Menominee North Pier Light Station
59 Minneapolis Shoal Light Station
60 Mission Point Light Station
61 Muskegon South Breakwater Light Station
62 Muskegon South Pier Light Station
63 North Manitou Shoal Light Station
64 Peninsula Point Light Station
65 Point Betsie Light Station
66 Poverty Island Light Station
67 Sand Point Light Station (Escanaba)
68 Seul Choix Pointe Light Station
69 Skillagalee Island Light Station
70 South Fox Island Light Station
71 South Haven South Pier Light Station
72 South Manitou Island Light Station
73 Squaw Island Light Station
74 St. Helena Island Light Station
75 St. Joseph North Pier Inner Light Station
76 St. Joseph North Pier Outer Light Station
77 St. Martin Island Light Station
78 Waugoshance Light Station
79 White River Light Station
80 White Shoal Light Station

LAKE HURON

81 Alpena Light Station
82 Bois Blanc Island Light Station
83 Charity Island Light Station
84 Cheboygan Crib Light Station
85 Cheboygan River Front Range Light Station
86 DeTour Reef Light Station
87 Fort Gratiot Light Station
88 Forty Mile Point Light Station
89 Fourteen Foot Shoal Light Station
90 Gravelly Shoal Light Station
91 Harbor Beach (Sand Beach) Light Station
92 Lightship Huron
93 Mackinac Point Light Station
94 Martin Reef Light Station
95 Middle Island Light Station
96 Pipe Island Light Station
97 Poe Reef Light Station
98 Point Aux Barques Light Station
99 Port Austin Reef Light Station
100 Port Sanilac Light Station
101 Presque Isle Front Range Light Station
102 Presque Isle Light Station (new)
103 Presque Isle Light Station (old)
104 Presque Isle Rear Range Light Station
105 Round Island Light Station (Straits of Mackinac)
106 Round Island Passage Light Station
107 Saginaw River Rear Range Light Stationn
108 Spectacle Reef Light Station
109 Sturgeon Point Light Station
110 Tawas Point Light Station
111 Thunder Bay Island Light Station

LAKE ST. CLAIR

112 Lake St. Clair Light Station
113 St. Clair Flats South Channel Front Range Light Station
114 St. Clair Flats South Channel Rear Range Light Station
115 Windmill Point Light Station

RIVERS

116 Detroit River Light Station—Detroit River
117 Grosse Ile North Channel Front Range Light Station—Detroit River
118 Peche Island Rear Range Light Station—St. Clair River
119 Round Island Light Station—St. Mary's River
120 William Livingstone Memorial Light Station—Detroit River

* Light Station is used throughout to refer to either a complex of buildings, or an individual light.