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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey Hydrographic

Field No. 513-B Office No. H-7043

LOCALITY

State Maryland

General locality Chesapeake Bay

Locality Entrance to Choptank River

1943-145

CHIEF OF PARTY
T. B. Reed

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HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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NOTES TO ACCOMPANY DESCRIPTIVE REPORT FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H- 7044 (Field No. 515 - B)

CHOPTANK RIVER ENTRANCE, SOUTHERN PART, MARYLAND

Scale 1/10,000

Ship COWIE, Thos.B. Reed, Comdg.

This report was written prior to the processing of the smooth sheet at the Norfolk Processing Office.

- A. The project number is CS-250. The date of the instructions is September 18, 1942 (MARINDIN & OGDEN). Supplemental instructions are dated September 23, 1943 (LYDONIA).
- B. This survey covers the southern part of the Choptank River entrance from Castle Haven Point to Cook Point and including Trippe Bay west to Longitude 76° 20'. Work by L.C. Johnson's party (WAINWRIGHT) began December 22, 1943 and ended April 14, 1944. Work by Thos. B. Reed's party (COWIE) began July 3, 1944 and ended May 15, 1945.

 (M-70/0/942-44)

The sheet joins contemporary Sheet 813(field) on the east, Sheet

(1443-45 513-A(field) on the north, Sheet 413(field) on the west, and

Sheets 1413 and 1513(field) on the southwest. H-C958

C. The COWIE and the WAINWRIGHT were used for part of the sounding in

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- C. The COWIE and the WAINWRIGHT were used for part of the sounding in deeper water. Launch 72 and a 25 foot skiff were used for shoaler sounding. 808 type depth recorders were used with the exception of part of the skiff work in which pole sounding was used.
- D. Tide stations used for the survey are listed in the Tidal Note included with this report.
- E. The smooth sheet will be plotted by Norfolk Processing Office.
- F. Triangulation stations used forv control are as follows:

Choptank River Lighthouse J.Bowie, Jr. 1934
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Large water tank, Castle Haven -- 1909

Topographic stations are from topographic maps T5715 and T5716.

G. Shoreline and topography are from topographic maps/listed in the previous paragraph. The low water line was not determined by hydrography due to the range of tide being insufficient to provide for the draft of sounding wessels used. Soundings were obtained along most of the shore which reduce to 1 foot or less.

Fish traps located by the hydrographic party are temporary in ature and are removed in the fall by the owners.

H. Soundings were taken with 808 type depth recorders for all work except part of the skiff work in depths shoaler than about 6 feet.

Fathometer corrections were applied as computed from bar check curves in the usual manner, Settlement corrections were applied to work by the COWIE.

I. Hydrography was controlled by three point visual fixes. u

- J. The present survey is believed to be complete and adequate to supersede prior surveys for charting purposes. The junctions with adjacent surveys are satisfactory.
- K. There are some discrepancies in cross lines and adjacent lines on the boat sheet but it is believed that most of these will be satisfactory on the smooth sheet when proper tide and other corrections are applied.
- L., M. and N. A discussion of these subjects can better be made after completion of the smooth sheet. A general comparison of the boat sheet with the chart indicates only small changes since the old surveys. Substantial Changes in some areas Review, par 5
- O. Coast Pilot information will be submitted on an area basis and none is included in this report.
- P. The positions of all fixed or floating aids to navigation in the area covered by this sheet have been checked or determined. They are indexed in Volume 1. TrippeBay buoy 2 was not present at the time sounding was done in that area.

There are no bridges or cables in the area covered by this survey.

- Q. Landmarks for Charts are "SILO" on Cook Point and "TANK" on Castle Haven Point which are already charted. They are being re-submitted on Form 567. Chart letter No.47(1944)
- R. Geographic names are considered to have been adequately covered by the topographic mapping party.

Respectfully submitted

C.R.Reed, Lt.Comdr., U.S.C.& G.Survey

Approved & forwarded:

Thos.B.Reed, Chief of Party

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TIDAL NOTE

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY No. H-

(Field No. 513-B)

Project 08-250

Thos. B. Reed, Chief of Party

Records from the following tide stations were used in obtaining tide reducers for the sheet:

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Oxford tides were used for work by the WAINWRIGHT and Launch 72 from February 28 through April 14, 1944 (Vol.1-6 inclusive)

Cambridge tides minus 10 minutes and with 0.9 range were used for work from the COWIE by Launch 72 and 25 foot skiff from July 3-20, 1944 with the exception of "j" day, July 19, when Avalon tides were used. Cambridge tides with the same factor and time difference were used for "n" day, April 20, 1945.

Avalon tides were used for work by Launch 72 and 25 foot skiff on "j" day, July 19, "l" day, July 21, and "m" day, July 31, 1944.

Taylors Island tides were used for "z" day, May 9, 1945 on Launch 72.

Taylors Island tides mimus 25 mimutes were used for the remainder of the work.

APPROVAL SHEET FOR

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-

(Field No. 513-B)

Project CS-250

The boat sheet and the accompanying records for the above survey have been inspected and are approved. The boat sheet was examined daily while the wark was in progress and the survey is believed to becomplete.

Thos. B. Reed, Chief of Party

A.D D E N D U M

to accompany

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-7044 (Field No. 513-B)

This survey was processed in the Hydrographic Section of the Southeastern District, Norfolk, Va.

Respectfully submitted,

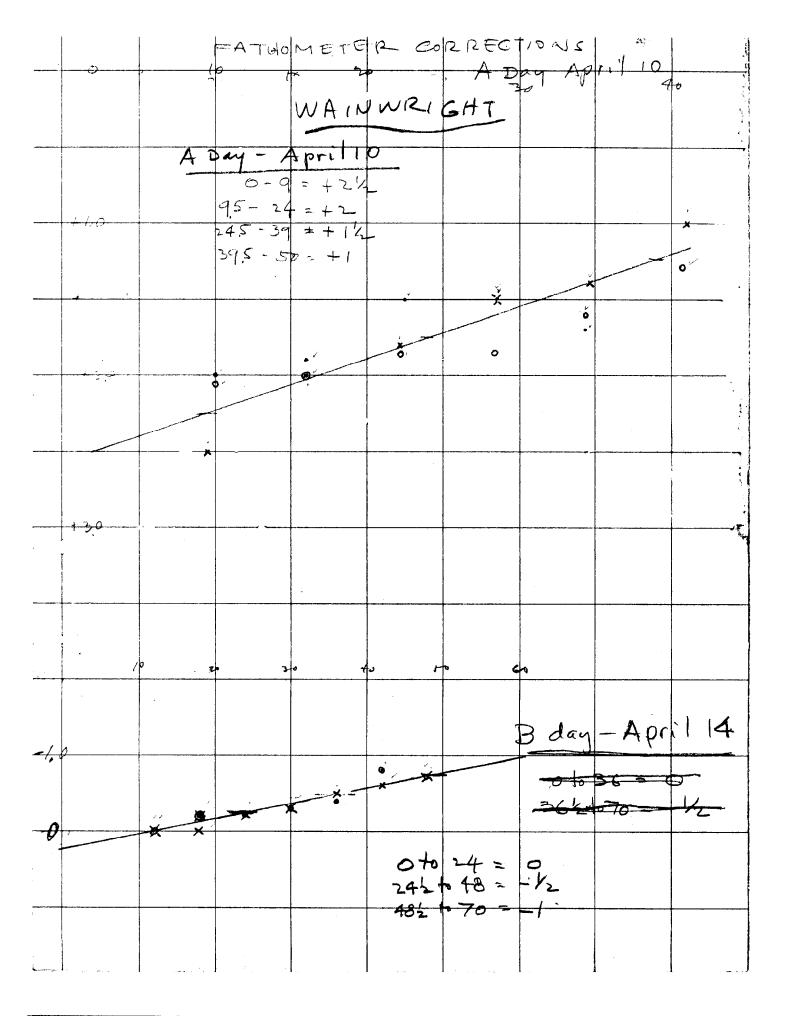
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Norfolk, Va. March 20, 1946

Approved & Forwarded

Paul C. Whitney

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DIVISION OF CHARTS

REVIEW SECTION - NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH

REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

REGISTRY NO. 7043

FIELD NO. 513-B

Maryland, Chesapeake Bay, Entrance to Choptank River Surveyed in Dec. 1943 to May 1945 Scale 1:10,000 Project No. CS-250

Soundings:

Control:

808 Fathometer Pole

Three-point fixes on shore signals

Chief of Party - T. B. Reed and L. C. Johnson
Surveyed by - T. B. Reed, L. C. Johnson, G. R. Fish, C. R. Reed,
J. O. Phillips and A. L. Powell
Protracted by - M. T. Miller
Soundings plotted by - R. J. Auld
Verified and inked by - R. K. DeLawder
Reviewed by - G. F. Jordan, November 27, 1946
Inspected by - H. W. Murray

1. Control and Topographic Detail

Signal control originates with previous triangulation and with air photographic surveys T-5715 and T-5716.

Shoreline detail is from air photographic surveys T-8241, T-8242, T-8248 and T-8249.

2. Bottom Configuration and Depth Curves

The present survey covers an area of smooth bottom except for the shoal area in the vicinity of lat. 38° 38.2', long. 76° 15.4' where 7-and 9-ft. soundings fall in 10-to 15-ft. depths.

Depth curves could be satisfactorily drawn.

3. Sounding Line Crossings

Agreement of soundings at crosslines is generally satisfactory. However, in the western part of the survey, the reason for some differences of 1-ft. in depth and occasionally 2 feet, between the soundings of two vessels, could not be readily ascertained.

4. Adjoining Surveys

Satisfactory junctions on the south and southwest are effected with H-7064 (1945) and H-7075 (1945), respectively. The junction on the north with H-7032 (1943-45) is satisfactory. However, in the vicinity of lat. 38° 39', long. 76° 17.5', about thirty positions were controlled by weak angles. It was necessary to replot the positions in order to effect a satisfactory junction with H-7032. The remaining junction will be considered in the reviews of H-6958 (1943-44) and H-7010 (1942-44).

5. Comparison with Prior Surveys

H-201 (1848) and H-2630 (1902) on scales 1:20.000

Depths on these prior surveys agree very well with depths on the present survey except where substantial changes in the bottom have occurred.

In the northwest corner of the present survey 4-ft. depths supersede prior 18-ft. depths in the shoal area extending to the southward. Present soundings in the deep in that area are 4-to 6-ft. shoaler in 50-ft. depths.

Cook Point has receded 450 meters since the earlier survey and 270 meters between 1902 and 1943-45. Present 4-to 7-ft. depths now supersede prior 1-to 4-ft. depths near the point.

Todds Point has similarly receded on the north but shows a 300-meter accretion on the southeast point. Southeast of the point, the bight in the present 12-ft. curve is 300 meters farther offshore.

The high water line northwest from Castle Haven Point has receded about 70 meters.

Specific mention is made of the following items on H-2630:

a. The prior 10-ft. sounding (chart 553) falling in present 16-ft. depths at lat. 38° 38.53', long. 76° 14.95', is considered a l-fm. error and should be disregarded. Although the sounding was not specifically investigated on the present survey, present soundings and a prior crossline both discredit 10-ft. depths here.

- falling in present 20-to 31-ft. depths at lat. 38° 38.49', long. 76° 12.30', is considered a 2-fm. error and should be disregarded. A crossline on the prior survey shows 30 feet here on the edge of a 35-ft. depression.
- c. The uninvestigated prior 16-ft. sounding (chart 553) falling in present 19-ft. depths at lat. 38° 36.65', long. 76° 19.55', is considered erroneous and should be disregarded. Present soundings and a prior crossline both discredit 16-ft. depths here.
- d. Although the <u>sunken piles</u> at the following positions on the prior survey were not investigated, it is reasonable to assume that after 40 years, they are now non-existent:

Lat. 38°	Long. 76°	Remarks
36.74' 37.14'	12.41' 13.82'	Not charted Charted as sunken rock, Chart 1225
37 . 39'	13.46'	2 ft. slightly north of this position on Chart 1225
36.91' 35.20'	14.05' 16.60'	Not charted Chart 553

These prior surveys are superseded within the common area except for bottom characteristics which have been carried forward to supplement those obtained on the present survey.

6. Comparison with Chart 553 (Print date of May 25, 1946) Chart 1225 (Print date of March 9, 1946)

a. Hydrography

Charted hydrography is from the aforementioned prior surveys and is entirely superseded by the present survey.

b. Aids to Navigation

Aids to navigation located on the present survey agree with charted aids except that Cook Point Cove Light which was located by six sextant angles at lat. 38° 37.46', long. 76° 16.18', is charted 120 meters WNW of the position.

The hydrographer (D.R., p. 2) states that the buoy charted in Trippe Bay at lat. 38° 35.55', long. 76° 17.25', was not in evidence at the time of the survey.

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7. Condition of the Survey

- a. The sounding records and Descriptive Report are complete in all detail.
- b. The smooth plotting was well done except for thirty weak positions which were replotted.

8. Compliance with Project Instructions

The survey adequately complies with the project instructions.

9. Additional Field Work Recommended

This is an excellent basic survey and no additional field work is recommended.

Examined and approved:

Chief, Nautical Chart Branch

Chief, Division of Charts

Chief, Section of Hydrography

Chief, Division of Coastal Surveys

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
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TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

May 7, 1946

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Division of Charts: H. W. MURRAY

Plane of reference approved in 18 volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 7043

Locality Southern part of Choptank River Entrance, Chesapeake Bay

Chief of Party: L. C. Johnson and T. B. Reed in 1943-1945. Plane of reference is mean low water, reading

6.5 ft. on tide staff at Oxford

4.3 ft. below B. M. 1

6.3 ft. on tide staff at Cambridge

4.7 ft. below B. M. 1

2.3 ft. on tide staff at Avalon

3.9 ft. below B. M. 1

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3.5 ft. below B. M. 1

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 1.3 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

Oly Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

W. B. ВОУМЕНИМИТ РЕПИТИЯ ОГРИСВ 154327

NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH

SURVEY NO. <u>H7043</u>

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A basic hydrographic or topographic survey supersedes all information of like nature on the uncorrected chart. Give reasons for deviations, if any, from recommendations made under "Comparison with Charts" in the Review.