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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey OFFSHORE HYDROGRAPHIC

Field No. HY-20247

Office No. H-7604

**LOCALITY** 

State COAST OF FLORIDA

General locality GULF OF MEXICO

Locality S.W. OF CAPE SAN BLAS

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# HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

The Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

REGISTER No. H-7604

Field No. HY-20247

State	Florida
	calityGulf of Mexico
Locality	Offshore, S. W. of Cape San Blas
Scale	1:200,000 Date of survey 21 Oct. 1947 to 15 Aug. 1948
Instruction	ns dated 26 September 1946 and 9 July 1947
Vessel	Ship HYDROGRAPHER
Chief of p	arty Fred. L. Peacock
	by F.L.Peacock, E.B.Latham, C.I.Aslakson, G.R.Shelton, W.J.Chovan J.D.Thurmond, W.N.Martin, F.J.Bryant, L.S.Baker and H.F.Dunbrook, staken by fakkonneter, graphic recorder, handleadowine F.G.Johnson, R.C.Rowse
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# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY

# OFFSHORE HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-7604, (FIELD NO. HY-20247)

SCALE 1:200,000

Ship HYDROGRAPHER 1947-48

Fred. L. Peacock, Chief of Party

### PROJECT

This survey is a part of project No. C.S.-328. The original project instructions are dated 26 September 1946. Supplemental instructions for E.P.I. controlled offshore surveys are dated 9 July, 1947.

# SURVEY LIMITS AND DATES

The general locality of this survey is offshore southwest of Cape San Blas, Florida.

The northern limit is Latitude 28° 50' N. The southern limit is Latitude 27° 30' N. The eastern limit is Longitude 84° 50' W. The western limit is Longitude 87° 30' W.

This survey joins with survey H-7603 (scale 1:200,000, 1947) on the north, with H-6548 (scale 1:160,000, 1940) on the west, no surveys as yet on the south, and with unfinished surveys on the east.

Work on this survey began on 21 October 1947 and ended 27 November 1947 for the 1947 season. Work was resumed again on 15 May 1948 and was completed on 15 August 1948.

# VESSEL AND EQUIPMENT

All hydrography on this survey was accomplished from the ship HYDRO-GRAPHER. All soundings were obtained by either 808-J type depth recorder No. 105-S or by a tuning fork controlled NMC-1, No. 206, depth recorder, for the 1947 season. A different 808-J type depth recorder, No. 131-SG, was used for the 1948 season. The dividing depth between the 808-J type instrument and the NMC-1 instrument was approximately the 150 fathom curve. Position control was entirely by the "Electronic Position Indicator System", Model No. I.

The normal turning radius of the Ship HYDROGRAPHER is between 80 and 120 meters, depending on the velocity and direction of the wind.

# TIDE AND CURRENT STATIONS

The Pensacola Primary Tide Station located at Pensacola, Florida was used for the reduction of all soundings. A time correction of minus 2 hours and a range factor of 0.0 was used, in accordance with office letter dated 24 December 1947.

No current stations were observed.

# SMOOTH SHEET

Smooth sheet projection with circles was prepared at Washington Office.

The 1947 Field Season work was plotted aboard Ship HYDROGRAPHER.

# CONTROL STATIONS

The hydrography on this survey was controlled by two E.P.I. shore stations. The western station was at the Department of Interior Wild-life Reservation on Santa Rosa Island near Pensacola, Florida; Latitude 30° 20' 17.55", Longitude 87° 09' 23.31". The eastern station was at Carrabelle Beach, Florida; Latitude 29° 49' 54.59", Longitude 84° 40' 53.71".

The effective center of each station was located by triangulation methods from nearby stations of the coastal triangulation. The eastern station was located by C.A. Burmister. The western station was located by a party from the Ship HYDROGRAPHER in charge of J.D. Thurmond.

The length of baseline is approximately 152 statute miles.

For control used for locations of E.P.I. test stations off Cape St. George and off signal "ROOK" see cahier "E.P.I. Corrections, Stations A and B, 1948 Field Season".

# SHORELINE AND TOPOGRAPHY

None shown on this offshore survey.

# SOUNDINGS

Sounding corrections for velocity of sound and instrumental errors were controlled by adequate salinity and temperature serials and by frequent vertical cast comparisons using sounding machine No. H-141 with stranded wire over calibrated registering sheaves Nos. 349 and 403.

The effective length of Stylus arm and stylus speed for 808-J fathometer number 131-SG were checked during each field trip and found to be within the required accuracy. For fathometer number 105-S see special report submitted 27 March 1948. Report March 1948.

For Velocity corrections covering the 1947 season See: Cahier of Velocity Correction Abstract, Field Season 1947, previously submitted.

For Velocity corrections covering the 1948 season see: To be submitted at end of 1948 field season.

For Instrumental Corrections and Settlement & Squat covering the 1947 season see: Cahier previously submitted.

For Instrumental Corrections and Settlement and Squat covering the 1948 season see: To be submitted at end of 1948 field season.

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# CONTROL OF HYDROGRAPHY

All hydrography on this survey is controlled by the "Electronic Position Indicator System" using E.P.I. stations A and B.

# ADEQUACY OF SURVEY

The survey coverage of this offshore area is complete and no excessive gaps or holidays at the junctions with other surveys appear.

Tests were made to determine the Electronic Position Indicator corrections during the progress of the work. However from later experience with the E.P.I., it is now evident that these tests were not made as often as needed. It has been found that the corrections are continuously changing and tests should be made to determine the errors as often as practically

The smooth plotting of the survey will afford additional information but the survey appears to be quite adequate for this offshore area.

# CROSSLINES

A system of about 5% crosslines were run. Discrepancies at crossings were a very small percent of the depth and this percentage was greatly reduced when the corrections were applied.

# COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS AND WITH THE CHART

Junction with survey H-7603 on the north is very good. Junction with H-6548 on the west has a discrepancy of about 1 % of the depth of the north to around 2 3/4 % of the south where the depths are much greater.

There are some large discrepancies with the few sounding printed on U.S.C.&G.S. chart 1115, Cape St. George to Mississippi Passes, mostly in the greatest depths.

Complete information on crossing, and comparison with other surveys, will not be available until the smooth sheet has been plotted.

The spacing of sounding lines on this survey and the accuracy of the horizontal control is so much more adequate than heretofore available that in the Chief of Party's opinion the new survey should supersede all prior surveys and charted data for the area.

# TABULATION OF APPLICABLE DATA

# FOR USE WITH THE 1947 SEASON

Special report on the study and investigation of E.P.I. distance corrections. Transmitted 22 December 1947 to the Director. Not filed in Library

Special report on the study of \$08-J type depth recorder No. 105-S errors (fathom scale). Transmitted 27 March, 1948 to the Director.

- Review Pare. 3,4,5,6 Triangulation field records, Location of E.P.I. shore station EPIA transmitted 6 Feb. 1948 to the Director.

Triangulation records location of E.P.I. shore station EPIB. transmitted by It. Commander C.A. Burmister.

Temperature & Salinity Observations & Computations for Surveys H-7603, H-7604, HY-4147, HY-4247, and HY-4347. Transmitted 8 April, 1948 to the Director.

One cahier, computations for Fathometer Corrections, Fathometer No. 105-S, Fathom Scales, Surveys H-7603, & H-7604. Transmitted 8 April, 1948, to the Director.

One cahier, Calibration Tests, 1947, transmitted 8 April, 1948, to the Director.

One cahier, Original E.P.I. Test Data & Computations, E.P.I. Tests, 1947, transmitted 8 April, 1948 to the Director.

1 cahier, hourly heights, tides.

l cahier, calibrations, registering sheaves and depth recorders. Previously submitted.

1 cahier, Velocity Correction Abstracts Derived From Temperature & Salinity Observations for Surveys HY-4147, 4247, 4347, 20147, and 20247. Previously submitted.

1 cahier, computations for fathometer corrections. Previously submitted.

1 cahier E.P.I. Computations, Calibration Corrections and Final Distance, 1947 Season. Submitted with this report.

# FOR USE WITH THE 1948 SEASON

1 cahier, Instrumental Corrections & Settlement & Squat, 808J No. 131-SG, Fathoms & Feet, NMC-1 No. 206, Fathoms.

1 cahier, E.P.I. Corrections and computations Stations A and B, 1948 Field Season, for Surveys H-7603 (Add. Work) H-7604, HY-4148, HY-4248, and HY-4348, 13 May - 15 Sept. 1948.

For Calibration Tests of registering sheaves, settlement and squat etc. See cahier No. 3 forwarded 8 April 1948. For Additional calibrations of registering sheave No. 403 see report at end of 1948 season.

Applicable data being submitted or to be submitted later.

Seasons report 1948. Fathometer Velocity Corrections 1948.

Records of Temperatures and Salinities 1948.

Tidal Data 1948.

Calibration of registering sheaves 1948.

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Attached to Volume No. 1 are copies of abstracts of velocity and instrumental corrections for 1947 season. For E.P.I. corrections refer to cahier of E.P.I. computations Sheet H-7604, 1947 Season. All the 1947 work has been smooth plotted and the smooth sheet sent to Washington Office. See addendum by Norfolk Office.

Attached to Volume No. 12 are copies of abstracts of velocity, instrumental and E.P.I. corrections. Also the tide corrections used for the reduction of soundings. This covers the 1948 season.

19 January 1949

Respectfully Submitted:

Frank G. Johnson, Commander, C&GS

Respectfully forwarded:

George L. Anderson, Commander, C&GS Chief of Party

# STATISTICS FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H - 7604

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# TIDE NOTE

# SURVEY H-7604

Reference Station:

Pensacola Primary Tide Station

Position:

Lat: 30° 24' 12" Long. 87° 12' 45"

Plane of Reference:

MLW

Height of Staff at reference Plane: 8.0 ft.

Time of Tide:

2 Hours earlier

Authority:

Office letter dated 24 Dec. 1947

Hourly heights were furnished from the Washington Office.

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# LIST OF SHORE OBJECTS USED IN EPI CALIBRATIONS WAY 13 - AUGUST 15, 1948

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# Fathometer Corrections between 5 August and 28 November 1947 Sheets 20147 (H7603) and 20247 (H7604)

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9.5	382	27.5	1212	45.5	1752
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Corrections in fathoms and tenths of fathoms.

# Fathometer Corrections between Sept. 30 and Nov. 28, 1947

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# SURVEY NO. H-7604

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# Corrections in Fathoms

To be used between 26 July and 15 August 1948 for depths from 101 to 215 Fms

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# APPROVAL SHEET

# Survey No. H-7604

The field work on this sheet was done under the immediate supervision of Captain Fred. L. Peacock, Chief of Party, and daily inspections of the field records were made by him. Field work completed during 1947 was smooth plotted on the HYDROGRAPHER under his general supervision and the smooth sheet forwarded to Washington. Field work done during 1948 is scheduled to be smooth plotted at the Norfolk Processing Office.

The records, sheets, and reports have been reviewed by me and are approved.

George L. Anderson Chief of Party, C&GS.

# ADDENDUM

# To Accompany

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-7604 (Field No. Hy-20247)

The Norfolk Processing Office smooth plotted that part of H-7604 accomplished during the 1948 field season.

Respectfully submitted,

Hugh L. Proffitt Cartographer

Norfolk, Virginia 1 November 1949

Approved and forwarded.

Earl O. Heaton

Supervisor, SE Dist.

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# Hydrographic Surveys (Chart Division)

# HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. H-7604

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Verification of soundings from graphic record	Time	12 hrs
Verification by R.K. De Lawder	183 hrs	Date 2-13-50
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# DIVISION OF CHARTS

REVIEW SECTION - NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH

# REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

REGISTRY NO. H-7604

FIELD NO. HY-20247

Florida, Gulf of Mexico, Southwest of Cape San Blas Surveyed from October 1947 to August 1948 Scale 1:200,000 Project No. CS-328

Soundings:

: 200

Control:

808-J Fathometer NMC-1 Fathometer Electronic Position Indicator

Chief of Party - F. L. Peacock
Surveyed by - F. L. Peacock, E. B. Latham, C. I. Aslakson,

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G. R. Shelton, W. J. Chovan, J. D. Thurmond,

W. N. Martin, F. J. Bryant, L. S. Baker and

H. F. Dunbrook

Protracted by - W. W. Feazel and P. E. Jones Soundings plotted by - H. J. Thompson Verified and inked by - R. K. DeLawder Reviewed by - G. F. Jordan, 21 July 1950 Inspected by - R. H. Carstens

# 1. Shoreline and Control

No shoreline falls within the limits of the smooth sheet.

This survey was controlled by two Electronic Position Indicator (EPI) stations established on shore about 152 miles apart and located by triangulation. A discussion of the control and the problems encountered is included in the Descriptive Report. Further consideration of the EPI calibrations and corrections by the verifier and reviewer was unnecessary except as noted in paragraph 3 below.

# 2. Bottom Configuration and Depth Curves

This survey and survey H-7603 (1947-48) on the north together cover an area of approximately 20,000 square miles on the continental shelf and slope between the depths of 25 and 1730 fms. Between 80 and 400 fms., the bottom is unmarked by irregularities, and the gradient increases with the depth. The bottom inshore and offshore from these depths is marked by significant configurations. Some of the configurations are revealed by an inspection of the

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depth curves on the smooth sheet, but not all the physiographic details are revealed on this small-scale plotting sheet. A more complete delineation of bottom irregularities would in part require a larger scale plotting of the area having depths less than 80 fathoms and the addition of soundings scaled from the fathograms.

In the shoaler depths of 25 to 80 fms. the bottom irregularities consist of ridges, elongate depressions, domes, gradient changes and the nose-like protuberance of 40-to 60-fm. curves into depths of 70 to 90 fathoms. The domes fall 13 to 20 miles apart in a linear direction in the vicinity of the 70-fm. curve and are accompanied by gradient changes in the bottom. Troughs and adjacent ridges paralleling the depth curves occur frequently in the shoaler depths. Some of the features not clearly revealed by the smooth sheet are as follows:

- 8 ft. high are recorded in lat. 29° 17', long. 85° 44' in 40-fm. depths where the general sea bottom elevation drops 20-feet.
- b. H-7603 A trough 38 ft. deep is revealed at the bottom of the south slope of a protuberance delineated by the 60-fm. curve in lat. 29° 20.5°, long. 86° 03.5°.
- c. H-7604 Three symmetrical domes were crossed by sounding lines on H-7604 in lat. 28° 23.0', long. 85° 01.7' lat. 28° 38.8', long. 85° 10.0' lat. 28° 45.7', long. 85° 20.3'. These domes are respectively 10 ft. high with a 2700-ft. base, 16 ft. high with a 4200-ft. base and 10 ft. high with a 2500-ft. base.
- d. H-7603 The three encircled soundings in the vicinity of lat. 29° 10', long. 85° 40' represent high points on a ridge which terminates with a hook in the 80-fm. curve.

In the deeper depths of 400 to 1730 fathoms the bottom is marked by the continental slope escarpment, large areas of depression, the valley heading toward De Soto Canyon and crustal faults on and above the escarpment. The continental slope terminates with an escarpment having a maximum gradient of 35 degrees in lat. 28° 12', long. 86° 52'. The survey reveals one area of depression beginning along the bottom of the escarpment and separated from another area of depression by a ridge which is at progressive distances of 8 to 28 miles from the escarpment. The ridge disappears at the northwestern limits of H-7604 in the valley which is shown

in part in the southwestern corner of H-7603 and which terminates in De Soto Canyon developed on H-6690 (1941). The continental slope and escarpment is lined with crustal faults paralleling the depth curves. The faults appear as crustal slips, ridges, troughs and benches. One fault appears to extend for approximately 30 miles along the western limits of both surveys where a ridge 20 to 50 ft. high is indicated by shoal soundings of 719 to 773 fathoms.

The depth curves are complete and are adequately delineated for navigational purposes.

# 3. Sounding Line Crossings

The depths at most of the sounding line crossings are in excellent agreement. To obtain this agreement considerable study and adjustment of EPI procedures and calibrations and a detailed consideration of fathometer corrections were made in the field. A few revisions were made during verification where sections of sounding lines were either replotted on dead-reckoning or rejected because of inadequate EPI control. In addition, some soundings were revised or rejected where fathometer troubles caused inaccurate recordings. An unresolved discrepancy in crossings remains, however, in the vicinity of lat. 27° 45°, long. 87° 15°, where the dialindicator soundings on M-day appear to be 10 fms. too deep in depths of about 1630 fms.

# 4. Adjoining Surveys

An adequate junction on the north was effected with H-7603 (1947-48). The junction with H-6548 (1940) on the west revealed some discrepancies in depths which have been resolved by the rejection of sections of dead-reckoning sounding lines on that survey. The junction with H-7679 (1948-49) on the east will be considered in the review of that survey. Additional surveys on the east and south are in progress.

# 5. Comparison with Prior Surveys

H-483 (1854) 1:200,000 scale; H-1354 (1875) 1:600,000 scale; H-2920c (1882-84) 1:1,200,000 scale

These early reconnaissance surveys contain a few dead-reckoning lines within the area of the present survey. Differences with present depths are as great as 30 fms. in 100-fm. depths and 125 fms. in 1600-fm. depths and are undoubtedly caused by inaccuracies in the early surveys. There are no shoal soundings involved. The present survey supersedes the prior surveys except for the bottom characteristics carried forward.

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# Comparison with Chart 1114 (Print of Aug. 15, 1949) Chart 1115 (Print of May 1.

# A. Hydrography

The charted hydrography originates entirely with the present survey before verification, except for four lines of soundings on Chart 1114 which originate with the surveys previously discussed. No significant revisions were made during verification other than a correction of the 327-fm. sounding shown on Chart 1115 in lat. 28° 34.5', long. 86° 42.0'. The correct depth Remark on det 1115 Sept 10-29.53 is 337 fms.

# Aids to Navigation

No aids to navigation are charted in this offshore area. No features which might be considered to be dangers to navigation were revealed by this survey.

# 7. Condition of the Survey

- The sounding records and Descriptive Report are complete and comprehensive.
- The smooth sheet was accurately and neatly plotted.

# 8. Compliance with Project Instructions

The survey complies adequately with the project instructions.

# 9. Additional Field Work

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

Edmonston Chief. Nautical Chart Branch

L. S. Hubbard

Chief, Section of Hydrography

Chief, Division of Charts

W. M. Scalfe

Chief, Division of Coastal Surveys

FORM 712
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
Rev. June 1937

# TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

21 November 1949

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Division of Charts: R. H. Carstens

Plane of reference approved in 24 volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 7604

Locality Gulf of Mexico

Chief of Party: F. L. Peacock in 1947-48
Plane of reference is mean low water, reading
8.0 ft. on tide staff at Pensacola
9.0 ft. below B. M. 7 (1923)

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

NOTE: Allowance of -2000 hours was used to determine time of tide at working grounds.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

# NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH

SURVEY NO. H-7604

# Record of Application to Charts

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