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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey HYDROGRAPHIC

Field No. SU-4251 Office No. H-7928

**LOCALITY** 

State ALASKA

General locality ALASKA PENINSULA

Locality SOUTH OF MITROFANIA ISLAND

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CHIEF OF PARTY

G. E. Boothe

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## HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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REGISTER No. 1-7928

Field No. **SU-4251** 

State	ALASKA
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Scale 1:40,000	Date of survey July - September 1952
Instructions dated	8 March 1951
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Surveyed by	rip's Officers
Soundings taken by	fathometer, graphic recorder, hand lead, wire
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# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-7928 (FIELD NO. SU-4251) 1951

#### PROJECT:

This survey was initiated under CS-344 covered by instructions to the Commanding Officer, Ship SURVEYOR dated 8 March 1951.

#### SURVEY LIMITS AND DATES:

H-7927 and H-7928 should be considered at one time and together. In order to avoid excessive smooth sheet size for H-7927, it was necessary to plot five hundred forty two positions on H-7928. Appropriate notes have been entered in the record books and the table of statistics shows which positions of H-7927 have now been plotted on H-7928.

The survey is located on the south side of the Alaska Peninsula, south of Mitrofania Island. It is between latitudes 55-30 and 55-52; longitudes 158-20 and 159-05. Junction is made on the west with contemporary survey H-7927. Field work started on 18 July and was ended 14 September 1951. The eastern section of hydrographic survey no. H-6880 (1943) is covered by the present work.

## VESSEL AND EQUIPMENT:

All sounding was accomplished by the Ship SURVEYOR. The vessel was operated at full speed (9 to 10 knots) with a turning radius of about 400 meters. Submarine Signal Co. Model 808J fathometer No. 128S was used for all sounding. Tachometer reeds calibrated for a velocity of 800 fm/sec. were installed for the entire season. Shoran Set I #489: CRV T #724CRV was used for position location.

#### TIDE AND CURRENT STATIONS:

Portable tide gages were maintained at Chiachi Island in latitude 55-50.6, longitude 159-06.3 and at Kupreanof Harbor, latitude 55-47.4, longitude 159-21.0. Corrections were obtained from one or the other of these stations and applied without time or range corrections according to Director's letter 36-kh dated 15 October 1951.

No current stations were occupied.

### SMOOTH SHEET:

The smooth sheet was constructed by hand by the Seattle Processing Office. The shoreline was transferred from film positives of T-8827 and T-8828 by means of the Saltzman projector. Control and topographic details were plotted and inked by the Processing Office. The transfer of all topographic details has been verified according to para. 757 of the Hydrographic Manual.

#### CONTROL STATIONS:

The adjusted triangulation used in the vicinity of Chiachi and Mitrofania Islands is found in Folio V, pp 104,105 and 111. The location

of shoran station GULL is from 1951 triangulation by Glendon E. Boothe. Signals BUM and TED are from H-7924. The latter falls just off the sheet but maybe established for verification of the hydrography as described in para. 7121 of the Hydrographic Manual. Each of these signals was used one time on this survey.

#### SHORELINE AND TOPOGRAPHY:

Shoreline and topographic details are from film positives Nos. T-8827 and T-8828. Agreements with hydrographic surveys are or will be discussed in the reports of the inshore surveys.

#### SOUNDINGS:

All soundings were obtained with the 808J depth recorder No. 128S.

Standard methods of operation and scanning were used and the usual corrections (except velocity) were applied to the soundings.

#### CONTROL OF HYDROGRAPHY:

The entire survey was controlled by two shoran stations; one located at WEDGE, 1913 and the other at GULL, 1951. The intersection of the two shoran arcs controlled the sounding lines except for a few fixes in the extreme northwestern position of the sheet which are plotted on one arc and a sextant angle on shore objects.

The shoran control checked quite well throughout the area of the sheet. There is evidence of variable currents in the offshore area. Small discrepancies in time were not adjusted and attributed to that cause.

#### ADEQUACY OF SURVEY:

The survey is complete and adequate to supersede prior surveys for charting.

The junction with contemporary survey H-7924 is satisfactory and no holidays or excessive differences exist. The junction with H-7927 is perfect, since the break comes in the middle of the sounding lines.

Depth curves can be adequately drawn at the junctions.

#### CROSSLINES:

Over ten percent of the lines run were crosslines. Out of a total of one hundred sixty seven crossings, one hundred twenty three crossed without discrepancy, thirty nine had discrepancies less than three percent of the depth, and the maximum discrepancy was 3.9 percent of the depth.

#### COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS:

A photostat of hydrographic survey 6880 was enlarged with the Saltzman projector from 1:120,000 to 1:40,000 and a tracing of the soundings made. Comparison with H-7928 was then effected with this overlay. Agreement is, in general, good with uniform discrepancies of from one to two fathoms noted over the entire area which ranges in depth from thirty eight to eighty nine fathoms.

#### COMPARISON WITH CHART:

A comparison was made with Chart No. 8802, 17th edition; 50-12/25 print. Fifteen charted soundings are contained in the area of H-7928. Five of these

soundings are not in agreement with H-7928 and fall outside the area of survey 6880. The comparisons of these five soundings is shown below:-

Sounding	•		• •			
H-7928	Chart 8802	Latitude	Longitude	Roview		
62 /	52	<del>55-43.8</del>	158-26.2	See Review Par 6 A		
70	63	39.7	30.5	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
571	52	41.9	36.2			
60~	55	37.8	34.7			
85	47	30.7	42.8			

The charted 52 fathom sounding, listed first above, is one of the THETIS soundings listed in Item 11 of the preliminary review for project CS-279. There was no verification for any of the THETIS soundings and it must be presumed that they are in error either in position or depth.

### DANGERS AND SHOALS:

There are no dangers or shoals within the limits of the present survey.

## COAST PILOT INFORMATION:

Information under this heading is being compiled and will be the subject of a separate report.

### AIDS TO NAVIGATION:

There are no fixed or floating aids to navigation within the area of this survey.

## LANDMARKS FOR CHARTS:

A report of the landmarks for Charts for the entire area covered during the 1951 Field Season has been submitted on form 567 dated 10 March 1952. The recommended landmark within the limit of the survey is as follows.

## SPITZ ISLAND

No names other than those appearing on film positive No. T-8827 are recommended.

#### APPLICABLE DATA:

Fathometer Report - 29 February 1952 Landmarks for Charts - 23 March 1952 Coast Pilot Notes - Not yet submitted.

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Respectfully submitted,

Raymond H. Tryon, Jr. Lieut. Comdr., USC&GS

## STATISTICS FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-7928 (Field No. SU-4251)

DATE		DAY LETTER		POSITIONS	STAT. MILES
18 July	1951	1-3A (red)		4	1.2
23 July	•	16-33D (red)		18	15.3
24 July		(1-3E (red)		•	
		(34-43E (red)		13	7.1
31 July	1951	(51-70H (red)			
		(79-85H (red)		27	17.4
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		(42-55K (red)			
		(86-115K (red)		61	40.2
13 Augu	st 1951	29-85L (red)		57	30.8
14 Augu	st 1951	1-35M (red)		35	24.2
15 Augu	ıst 1951	47-48N (red)		2	0.7
16 Augu	ıst 1951	1-117P (red)	,	117	69.6
28 Augu	st 1951	84-96W (red)		13	9.5
10 Sept	ember 1951	1-104X (red)		104	86.5
11 Sept	ember 1951	(49-88Y (red)			-
		(143-193Y (red)	)	91	71.2
→ 12 Sept	ember 1951	A (blue)	_	101	81.4
¥13 Sept	ember 1951	B (blue)		137	105.5
	ember 1951	C (blue)		<u>73</u>	62.1
V			TOTAL	853	622.7

See records H-7927

## TIDE NOTE

Tide gages were maintained at Chiachi Island and at Kupreanof Harbor. The marigrams were forwarded to Washington and the following heights of MILW were furnished for the respective staffs.

Chiachi Gage -- 4.5 feet Kupreanof Harbor - 2.5 feet

Reductions to soundings were made without time or height correction.

## APPROVAL SHEET

The field work on this survey was conducted under the personal supervision of Commander Glendon E. Boothe who has inspected the records and boat sheet.

The survey is believed complete and adequate for charting and complies with the instructions.

Comdr. USC&GS

Comdg. USC&GSS SURVEYOR

## TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

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28 April 1952

Division of Charts: R. H. Carstens

Plane of reference approved in 3 volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

7928

Locality Alaska Peninsula, Southwest Alaska

Chief of Party: G. E. Boothe in 1951
Plane of reference is mean lower low water, reading
2.5 ft. on tide staff at Kupreanof Harbor
13.4 ft. below B. M. 1 (1914)

Height of mean high water above plane of reference is 6.9 feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

E. C. McKay Section

Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

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## DIVISION OF CHARTS

## REVIEW SECTION - NAUTICAL CHART BRANCH

## REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

## REGISTRY NO. H-7928

FIELD NO. SU-4251

Alaska, Alaska Peninsula, South of Mitrofonia Island

Project No. CS-344

Surveyed from July to September 1951

Scale 1:40,000

Soundings:

Control:

808-J Fathometer

Shoran
Sextant angles on shore objects

Chief of Party - G. E. Boothe
Surveyed by - G. E. Boothe
Protracted by - R. H. Tryon, Jr.
Soundings plotted by - R. H. Tryon, Jr.
Preliminary Verification by - G. F. Jordan and S. Rose
Verified and inked - C.L. Tysor
Reviewed by - G. F. Jordan, 21 July 1952
Inspected by - R. H. Carstens

## 1. Control and Shoreline

The control and shoreline for this survey are adequately described in the Descriptive Report.

## 2. Depth Curves and Bottom Configuration

The depth curves are adequately delineated.

The survey covers an area of generally smooth bottom marked by a local insular shelf and on the west by the eastern portion of 3-mile wide valley. The bottom on the insular shelf extending south-southeastward from Mitrofonia Island with 45-to 65-fm. depths is undulating. The smooth level valley extending shoreward from the southwestern limits of the survey is marked by a narrow submerged river bottom which is nearly 100 ft. deeper than adjacent 84-fm. depths in lat. 55° 32.2', long. 158° 36.4'.

## 3. <u>Crosslines</u>

The crossline soundings are in general in excellent agreement.

## 4. Junctions

As noted in the Descriptive Report, the present survey and H-7927 on the west were accomplished simultaneously. H-7928 is the first of the new surveys to be received. Junctions will be considered in the review of the adjoining surveys,

## 5. Comparison with Prior Surveys

The only prior survey covering this area is H-6880 (1943) which shows six sounding lines crossing the present survey in a strip 5 miles wide. Although the survey, 1:120,000, was of reconnaissance nature, the soundings are in general comparable with present depths - within 1 to 2 fms. in 38-to 85-fm. depths. The present survey adequately supersedes H-6880 in the common area.

## 6. Comparison with Chart 8859 (Print of 51-8/27) Chart 8802 (Print of 52-5/19) Chart 8502 (Print of 51-4/16) Chart 9302 (Print of 52-2/11)

## A. Hydrography

Chart 8859 shows no soundings in the area of the present survey. The hydrography on Charts 8802, 8502 and 9302 is from H-6880 (Par. 5 above) and from miscellaneous reconnaissance sources. The 47-fm. sounding originally charted in 1908 in lat. 55° 31', long. 158° 43', from an undetermined source, falls in the 84-fm. valley on the present survey. Other charted soundings also conflict to a lesser degree with present depths. Rocky bottom characteristics on the charts also appear to conflict with the mud, sand, and gravel characteristics obtained on the present survey.

The present survey completely supersedes all the charted hydrography in the common area.

## B. Aids to Navigation

There are no charted aids to navigation in the area of the present offshore survey. The survey revealed no dangers to navigation which might require marking.

## 7. Condition of the Survey

Preliminary verification of this survey was limited largely to an inspection for crossings discrepancies and unnatural depths and bottom configuration. No inadequacies in smooth plotting were noted. Complete verification and inking is deferred until a later date.

## 8. Compliance with Project Instructions

## H-7928 (1951)-3-

The survey adequately complies with the project instructions.

## 9. Additional Field Work

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

Examined and approved:

H. R. Edmonston

Chief, Nautical Chart Branch

H. Arnold Karo

Chief, Division of Charts

L. S. Hubbard

Chief, Section of Hydrography

Earl O. Heaton

Chief, Division of Coastal Surveys

## Addendum to Review

H-7928 (1951)

Inked by - C. L. Tysor
Review Addendum by - A. R. Stirni 2/9/56
Inspected by - R. H. Carstens

The Verification of this survey is now complete.

## Junctions with Contemporary Surveys

Adequate junctions were effected on the northwest with survey H-7924 (1951), and on the west with survey H-7927 (1951). The junction, on the north in the vicinity of Spitz Island, will be considered in the review of survey H-7925 (1951). Project surveys adjoining in the other areas have not been received in this office.

## Comparison with Chart 8859 (print date 5/31/54) Chart 8802 (print date 12/29/52)

The charted hydrography originates with the present survey after preliminary verification and review. All charted information is in accord with the present survey.

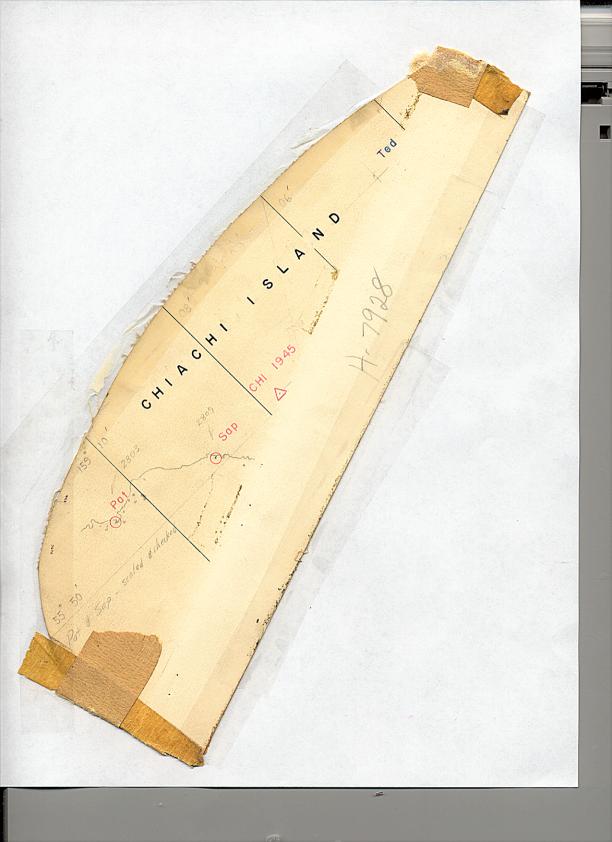
## Condition of Survey

Completion of the verification reveals that the smooth plotting was well done.

Approved:

E. R. McCarthy 

Chief, Chart Division



## NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH

SURVEY NO. H-7928

## Record of Application to Charts

DATE	CHART	CARTOGRAPHER	REMARKS
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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.