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<p>Form 504</p> <p>U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE</p> <p>COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY</p> <h2>DESCRIPTIVE REPORT</h2>	
<p>Type of Survey <u>Hydrographic</u></p>	
<p>Field No. <u>PF-10157</u> Office No. <u>H-8381</u></p>	
<h3>LOCALITY</h3>	
<p>State <u>Alaska</u></p>	
<p>General locality <u>North Side Alaska Penin-</u> <u>Sula</u></p>	
<p>Locality <u>North West of Port Heiden</u></p>	
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<p>CHIEF OF PARTY</p>	
<p><u>F. B. Quinn</u></p>	
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<p>DATE <u>November 26, 1957</u></p>	

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

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-8381

Field No. PF-10157

State Alaska

General locality N. Side Alaska Peninsula

Locality North West of Port Heiden

Scale 1:100,000 Date of survey August 1957

Instructions dated 20 December 1954, 21 October 1955, 1 October 1956

Vessel Ship PATHFINDER

Chief of party F. B. Quinn

Surveyed by G. L. Short, J. O. Boyer

Soundings taken by ~~FATHOMERS~~, graphic recorder, ~~BAUDOT AND WIRE~~

Fathograms scaled by Ship's personnel

Fathograms checked by Ship's officers

Protracted by G. L. Short, J. O. Boyer

Soundings penciled by J. R. Schwartz

Soundings in fathoms ~~XXXX~~ at ~~XXXXXX~~ MLLW

REMARKS: Positions plotted directly on smooth sheet, boat sheet

not used.

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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT TO THE COMPANY

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYS H-8378 (PF-1157) and H-8381 (PF-10157)

NORTH SIDE ALASKA PENINSULA, ALASKA

Scales: 1:40,000 and 1:100,000

Date: August 1957

USCGCSS PATHFINDER

F. B. Quinn, Commanding

A. PROJECT:

These surveys are a part of Project 13750. Original Instructions were dated 20 December 1954; Supplemental Instructions, 21 October 1955 and 1 October 1956. The instructions were issued by the Director and the Assistant Director.

B. SURVEY LIMITS AND DATES:

These surveys are in Bristol Bay off Port Heiden. They extend from about four miles to about 17 miles off shore, a distance suitable for future EPI junction. The axis parallel to the shore is about 32 miles. Inshore they join launch sheets and off shore they extend to the 20 fathom curve.

The southeasterly limit of H-8381 joins H-8378<sup>(1957)</sup>. H-8378 joins H-8377 to the southeast and H-8376 to the south.<sup>(1957)</sup>

Hydrography was started 11 August and completed 31 August.

C. VESSEL AND EQUIPMENT:

The surveys were made by the Ship PATHFINDER. Soundings were taken with graphic recorder No. 130-S(808 type) calibrated for 800 fms/sec. Bottom samples were obtained by wire and snapper with the ship's sounding machine.

Most turns were made at standard speed with 15 degree rudder. This gave a turning radius of about 0.2 miles.

D. TIDE AND CURRENT STATIONS:

See TIDE NOTE attached.

Current station No. "a", off the entrance to Port Heiden at latitude 56° 59.'3 N and longitude 158° 53.'2 W, falls within the area of this survey. Currents were measured with a Roberts Model 2 Radio Current Meter for 103 hours from 15 to 19 August. The buoy

FE 2 (1449)

was anchored in 11 fathoms and the meter was suspended 15 feet below the surface. The maximum current recorded was 1.2 knots. See CURRENT OBSERVATIONS REPORT which was submitted 4 October. ✓

E. SMOOTH SHEET:

The smooth sheet projections were made by hand aboard the PATH-FINDER. Shoran arcs were drawn with beam compass. A temporary "dog ear" was used for drawing the LIL arcs on H-8378. ✓

Boat sheets were not used for these surveys. Overlays of transparent plastic MYLAR were used. Positions were pricked thru directly to the smooth sheets. Soundings were inked on the overlays and omitted from the smooth sheet until the reducers were known during post season processing. ✓

MYLAR proved very satisfactory for the overlays. The material is very transparent and tough and distorts very little. The slick surface did not take or retain ink and pencil well, so the surface was roughened with fine sand paper. The material then took ink and pencil satisfactorily and still remained transparent. ✓

F. CONTROL STATIONS:

The only control stations appearing on these sheets are the shoran stations CUP and LIL. ✓

LIL was directly over 2nd order triangulation station LILAC, 1949 established by R. J. Sipe. ✓

CUP was erected 11.0 meters west of 3rd order triangulation station CUPOLA, 1949 established by R. J. Sipe. ✓

G. SHORELINE AND TOPOGRAPHY:

Shoreline and topographic details are not shown on these sheets because they are not at the scale of the available shoreline manuscripts. The inshore areas are covered by launch sheets which are at the same scale as the manuscripts. ✓

H. SOUNDINGS:

Soundings were obtained with an 808 type graphic recorder calibrated for 800 fms/sec. All soundings were recorded in fathoms on "A" phase. ✓

Fathometer comparisons were made with vertical casts when obtaining bottom samples. The average of 15 such comparisons showed the fathometer to be reading 0.1 fms deep and this correction was applied. ✓

Draft readings in board, amidships were taken each day hydrography was done. Soundings were corrected for draft. ✓

Depths were read by the fathometer operator while doing hydrography. The readings were checked at a later date by junior officers. The initial setting was also checked and a correction applied when it differed from 2.0 fathoms. ✓

All soundings were reduced to MLLW. ✓

I. CONTROL OF HYDROGRAPHY:

The hydrography was controlled by shoran using stations CUP and LIL. (See F above). ✓

Shoran corrections were obtained from curves drawn from comparisons of shoran readings at known positions determined by 3-point fixes on triangulation stations. Comparisons were made at different locations on three different days. Plotting was carefully done on a Dinoplex sheet. ✓

The curves were made with correctors and distance from station as coordinates. The points plotted fairly close to a straight line with a slope of 0.0018 miles per mile. Correctors to the nearest 0.01 mile were taken off these curves and applied to shoran readings. (See graph attached). ✓

No unusual or substandard methods were used for these surveys. The control of all hydrography is believed good. ✓

J. ADEQUACY OF SURVEY:

These surveys are complete and adequate for charting purposes. Junctions with contemporary surveys are good and no holidays were left. The depth curves can be adequately drawn. ✓

K. CROSSLINES:

About 10 percent crosslines were run. All crossings are satisfactory. ✓

L. COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS:

No prior surveys of the area are available for comparison. The several scattered soundings appearing on chart 8802 probably came from Russian explorers or tracklines of the U. S. Coast Guard and this Bureau. Soundings of this survey should supercede prior soundings. ✓

↑ FEN. 5 (47)  
FEN. 2 (49)

M. COMPARISON WITH CHARTS

The several soundings in this area on chart 8802 scale 1: 1,000,000 are in fair agreement considering the scale and source except for the 26 fathom sounding at latitude  $56^{\circ} 58.'3$  N longitude  $159^{\circ} 11.'2$  W. Depths at this location were shown to be about 17 fathoms.

plots on  
H-8378  
10 17 fms

N. DANGERS AND SHOALS

No dangers were found within the area surveyed. ✓

Northeast of Meshik an 11 fathom shoal extends to about 9 miles offshore. This shoal becomes 20 fathoms about 18 miles offshore. The bottom is sand and gravel with 1 to 2 fathom ridges running perpendicular to the shore. These ridges have the character of sand waves and undoubtedly shift with winter storms. ✓

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O. COAST PILOT INFORMATION:

Coast Pilot information will be submitted for the entire Port Heiden area as a separate report. ✓

P. AIDS TO NAVIGATION:

There are no aids to navigation within the area of these surveys. ✓

Q. LANDMARKS FOR CHARTS:

There are no unclassified landmarks within the area of these surveys. ✓

R. GEOGRAPHIC NAMES:

No additions or changes are recommended in the geographic names as they appear on the photo manuscripts and existing charts. ✓

S. SILTED AREAS

No silted areas were noted. ✓

T. BY-PRODUCT INFORMATION:

Generally the bottom for the whole area is sand, gravel, and pebbles. It is good holding ground, but there is no good protection from storms. The spit extending southwest from Strogonof Point offers some protection from southeasterly weather since the ten fathom curve comes within two miles of the beach. The bottom here too is uniform and fair holding ground. ✓

U. MISCELLANEOUS:

Processing time was greatly reduced for these sheets by using a MYLAR overlay, instead of a boat sheet, and pricking positions directly through to the smooth sheets. (See E above.) Shoran correctors were known, so positions were plotted correctly.

Depths were entered in the volumes every minute for the 40,000 scale and every two minutes for the 100,000 scale. In-between soundings were added when the bottom varied. This made for a relatively wide spacing interval between soundings on the smooth sheet. Because of the flatness of the bottom, this spacing gave a complete picture and greatly reduced the time required to process the records.

Z. TABULATION OF APPLICABLE DATA:

1. Shoran Report
2. Fathometer Report
3. Current Descriptive Report submitted 4 October
4. Coast Pilot Report
5. Tidal Data, Port Heiden, submitted 9 September

Respectfully submitted



John O. Boyer  
LCDR, C&GS

Approved and forwarded:



F. B. Quinn  
CAPT, C&GS  
Comdg. Ship PATHFINDER

GEOGRAPHIC NAME LIST

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYS H-8378(PF-4157) & H-8381(PF-10157)

BRISTOL BAY ✓

CHISTIAKOF ISLAND

MESHIK

PORT HEIDEN

STROGONOF POINT

Note:

See hydrographic surveys H-8376 and H-8377 for geographic names in the Port Heiden area.



APPROVAL SHEET

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYS H-8378(PF-4157) & H-8381(PF-10157)

These surveys were done under my close daily supervision. I consider them complete and adequate for charting. No additional work is recommended within the area of these surveys. ✓



F. B. Quinn  
Captain, C&GS  
Comdg. Ship PATHFINDER

STATISTICS

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY H-8381 (PF-10157)

Ship PATHFINDER

Project 13750

Year: 1957

<u>VOLUME</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>POSITIONS</u>	<u>STATUE MILES</u>	<u>WIRE SDG.</u>
1	A	28 Aug	91	128.7	1
1	B	30 Aug	41	56.1	
1	C	31 Aug	<u>129</u>	<u>184.0</u>	<u>3</u>
TOTAL			261	368.8	4

TOTAL AREA - 156.0 SQUARE STATUE MILES

## TIDE NOTE

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYS H-8378 (PF-4157) & H-8381 (PF-10157) ✓

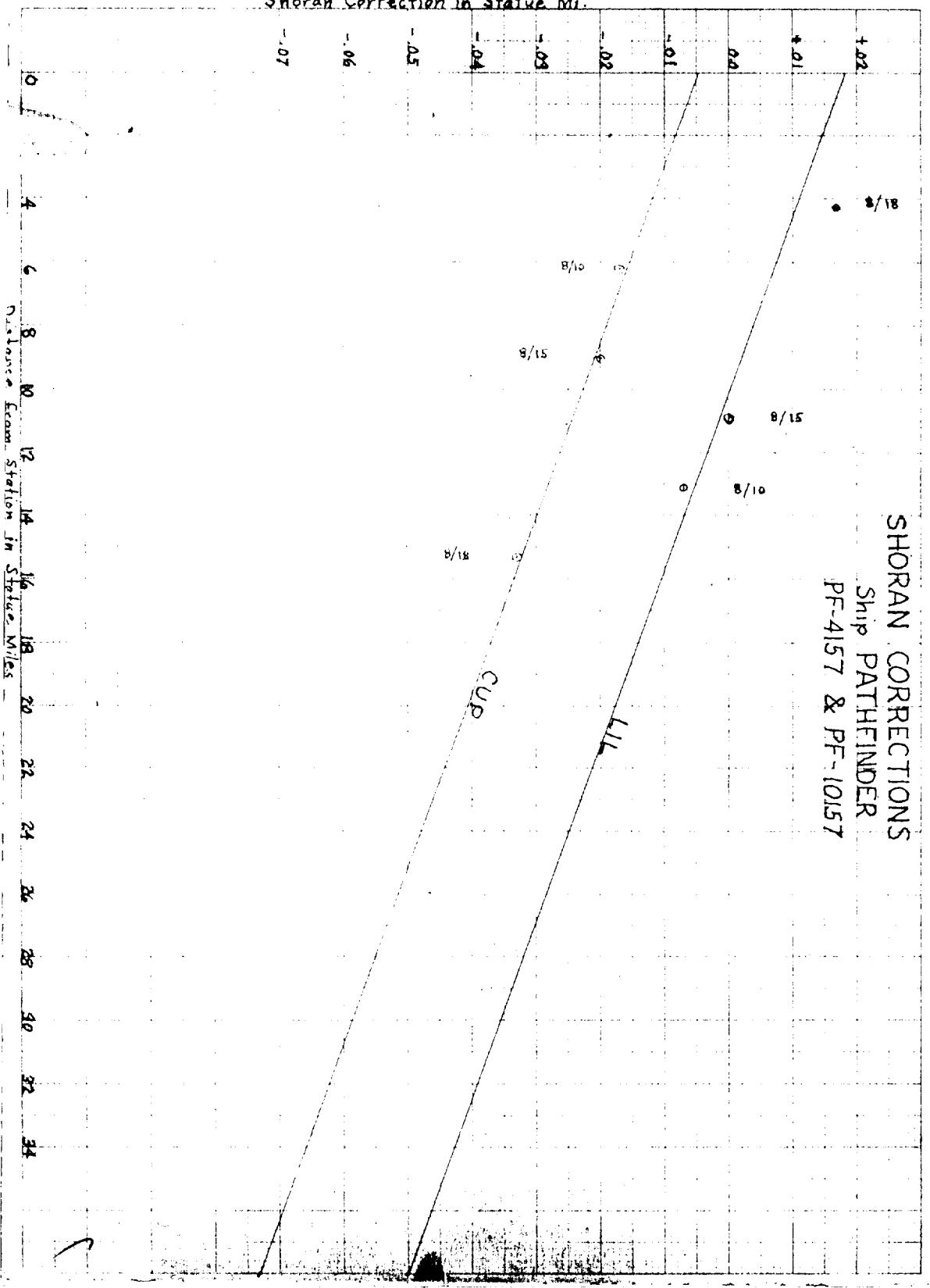
A portable automatic tide gage was in operation during these surveys at latitude  $56^{\circ} 55.'96$  N. and longitude  $158^{\circ} 41.'68$  W, south of the northeast end of Chistiakof Island. This gage was in operation from 9 August to 3 September. Three bench marks were established.

All marigrams and records were sent to the Washington Office. It was evident that the tripod holding the staff and gage settled. The Washington office deduced MLLW to be 4.1 feet on the staff from 9 to 24 August and 4.6 feet from 25 August to 3 September.

Smooth tide curves were drawn from observed hourly heights. Reducers to the nearest 0.1 fathom were taken from these. All soundings are referred to MLLW.

Whenever the ship was at anchor off Port Heiden, the quartermaster observed tides by recording a fathometer depth each half hour. The range and times thus observed offshore agreed very well with those recorded by the automatic tide gage.

### Shoran Correction in Statue Mi.



SHORAN CORRECTIONS  
Ship PATHFINDER  
PF-4157 & PF-10157

Distance in Statute Miles

0 4 8 12 16 20 24 28 32 34

0.02  
0.01  
0.00  
-0.01  
-0.02  
-0.03  
-0.04  
-0.05  
-0.06  
-0.07

Hydrographic Surveys (Chart Division)

HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. 8381...

Records accompanying survey:

Boat sheets ..1...; sounding vols. .1...; wire drag vols. ....; bomb vols. ....; graphic recorder rolls .1-Envelope special reports, etc. 1-Smoothsheet, 1-Descriptive report:.... and 1-Cahier-Shoran-Plotting-Abstract:.....

The following statistics will be submitted with the cartographer's report on the sheet:

Number of positions on sheet		261..
Number of positions checked		..8..
Number of positions revised		..0..
Number of soundings revised (refers to depth only)		..4..
Number of soundings erroneously spaced		..5..
Number of signals erroneously plotted or transferred		..0..
Topographic details	Time	..2..
Junctions	Time	..2..
Verification of soundings from graphic record	Time	.....

Verification by *H. W. Burgoyne* Total time *25* Date *July 25, 1960*

Reviewed by *H. W. Burgoyne* Time *9* Date *July 27, 1960*

TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

Chart Division: R. H. Carstens

14 Jan. 1958

Plane of reference approved in  
1 volume~~X~~ of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET 8381

Locality Port Heiden, Alaska

Chief of Party: F. B. Quinn in 1957

Plane of reference is mean lower low water, reading

11.2 ft. on tide staff at Port Heiden

21.1 ft. below B.M. 1 (1957)

Height of mean high water above of plane of reference is 10.9  
feet.

Condition of records satisfactory except as noted below:

  
Signature

Chief, Tides Branch

GEOGRAPHIC NAMES

Survey No. H-8381

Name on Survey	Source										
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	K		
<u>Alaska</u>			(title)								1
<u>Alaska Peninsula</u>			"						BGN		2
<u>Port Heiden</u>			"								3
<u>Bristol Bay</u>									BGN		4
											5
											6
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<u>Tide Station Off Sheet:</u>											8
<u>Chistiakof Island</u>											9
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Names approved 12-9-57.

L. Heck

OFFICE OF CARTOGRAPHY

REVIEW SECTION -- NAUTICAL CHART DIVISION

REVIEW OF HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

REGISTRY NO. H-8381

FIELD NO. PF-10157

Alaska - North Side Alaska Peninsula - North West of Port Heiden

SURVEYED: August 11 - 31, 1957

SCALE 1:100,000

PROJECT NO. 13750

SOUNDINGS: 808 Depth Recorder

CONTROL: Shoran

Chief of Party -----	F. B. Quinn	
Surveyed by -----	G. L. Short, J. O. Boyer	
Protracted by -----	G. L. Short, J. O. Boyer	
Soundings plotted by -----	J. R. Schwartz	
Verified and inked by -----	H. W. Burgoyne	
Reviewed by -----	H. W. Burgoyne	<u>DATE: 7/27/60</u>
Inspected by -----	L. S. Straw	

1. Shoreline and Control

This survey is approximately 11 - 16 miles offshore and no shoreline or topographic detail is shown.

The source of control is given in the Descriptive Report.

2. Sounding Line Crossings

The depth at sounding line crossings are in good agreement.

3. Depth Curves and Bottom Configuration

This survey covers an area off Port Heiden in the vicinity of the 20 fathom depth curve. The area is unique in that apparent 2 - 3 fathom sand and gravel ridges running perpendicular to the shore exist in 20 fathoms of water approximately 16 miles offshore.

4. Junctions with Contemporary Surveys

Present survey depths on the southeast are in adequate agreement with junctional depths on survey H-8378 (1957). There are no other contemporary surveys in this area.



5. Comparison with Prior Surveys

F. E. No. 5 (1947)  
F. E. No. 2 (1949)

The field examinations listed above cover the area of the present survey, and were plotted on Chart 8802 (Scale 1,023,188). They are merely reconnaissance lines and serve no adequate basis for comparison.

The present survey is adequate to supersede the field examinations in the common area.

6. Comparison with Chart 8834 (dated 2/17/58).

A. Hydrography

The charted hydrography originated with the present survey prior to verification and review. The present survey is in agreement with the charted hydrography except for the charted 13 fathom sounding at Lat.  $57^{\circ}02.43'$ , Long.  $159^{\circ}06.42'$ . The 13 fathom sounding was plotted in error and should be 15 fathoms. ✓  
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B. Aids to Navigation

There are no aids to navigation within the limits of this survey.

7. Condition of Survey

- a. The descriptive report and sounding records are complete and comprehensive.
- b. The survey was smooth plotted accurately and neatly.

8. Compliance with Project Instructions

The survey adequately complies with project instructions.

9. Additional Field Work Recommended

This is a good basic survey and no additional field work is recommended.

Examined and Approved:

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