DATE: March 8, 1984 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE

TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

Marine Center: Pacific

OPR: P146

Hydrographic Sheet: H-10026

Locality: Wide Bay, Alaska

Time Period: June 17-August 20, 1982

Tide Station Used: 945-8461 Wide Bay, Alaska

Plane of Reference (Mean Lower Low Water): 0.54 feet

Height of Mean High Water Above Plane of Reference: 11.0 feet

Remarks: Recommended Zoning:

Zone Direct

Chief, Tidal Datums Section

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Processing Division: Pacific Marine Center:

Hourly heights are approved for

Tide Station Used (NOAA Form 77-12): 945-8461 Wide Bay, Alaska

Period: June 17 - August 20, 1982

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OPR: P-146

Locality: Wide Bay, Shelikof Straits, Alaska

Plane of reference (mean lower low water): 0.54 ft.

Height of Mean High Water above Plane of Reference is 11.0 ft.

REMARKS: Recommended Zoning:

- Zone Direct
- 2. For J-Day 189-195, and J-Day 231 no smooth tides are available.

Chief, Tidal Datums Section, Tides & Water Levels Branch

FIELD TIDE NOTE

OPR-P146-FA-82

Wide Bay, Alaska

Tide Gage (945-5500) Seldovia, Alaska served as reference station for predicted tides for the entire Wide Bay project as stated in Project Instructions OPR-P146-FA-82. Because leveling was required at the beginning and end of project OPR-P114-RA-82, which was run concurrently with OPR-P146-FA-82, leveling of station (945-5500) Seldovia, Alaska was not conducted by FAIRWEATHER personnel. See Field Tide Note for P114-RA-82 for level data applicable to OPR-P146-FA-82.

Predicted tide correctors were interpolated by the hydroplot system using program AM 500. All times of both predicted and recorded tides were based on Universal Coordinated Time. All predicted tides were acceptable for hydrography with no discrepancies in data attributable to tides errors.

Tide station (945-8461) Wide Bay, Alaska (Mouth of Short Creek) located at latitude 57° 21' 54"N, longitude 156° 24' 07"W was the primary gage during this project. Opening levels were run to four existing Temporary Bench Marks (TBM's) on 04 June 1982 (J.D. 155). Two additional Bench Marks stamped 8461E and 8461F were established and included in leveling observations. A closure of 7.14mm was obtained for the entire run of 0.6km. Closing levels were run on 20 August 1982 (J.D. 232) to the above-mentioned marks resulting in a 27.10mm closure. This closure is 6.1mm above the acceptable limits set forth by the Hydrographic Manual, Fourth Edition, Section A.8.4. A comparison of opening to closing levels shows no sign of any vertical movement in the marks or tide staff. This error is presumed to be located at set-up number one between the staff stop and TBM #1. This area is a sand bar which covers at high water and is very soft sand, making stable set-ups difficult.

OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS

ADR Gage 6402A4596M2 operated well until 4 July 1982 (J.D. 185) when it was discovered that the gage was skip and double punching. On 15 July 1982 (J.D. 196) the gage was removed and replaced with ADR Gage 7404A0407M3 at 165400 (GMT +9). A new staff to gage comparison was taken and the new gage functioned well until projects end on 20 August 1982 (J.D. 232). Gage 6402A4596M2 was found to have bad punch block pins, which were replaced in the field. The gage was tested for three days without malfunction, and then stored aboard. Table I, Gage Malfunctions, is a listing of skip and double punches found on tidal records for the period of time. ADR Gage 6402A4596M2 was operating.

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No hydrographic data was lost as a result of skipping or double punching by the ADR gage. Interpolation may be used to provide a tidal data record for the periods of gage malfunction.

MISCELLANEOUS

Overall, gage site (945-8461) proved to be a very convenient, useful location for a tide station. The ADR float well, and the tide staff, were both left at the station site to expedite gage installation for future work in the Wide Bay area.

TABLE I

Gage Malfunctions

<u>Date</u> 29 June 30 June	Time 183000 183450	Comments Restarted Guide roller was causing right edge of tape to fray. Adjusted and restarted at 184800.
01 July	230600-233600	Skipped punches.
02 July	004200-004800	Skipped punches.
03 July	003000 003600-013000 013600 014200-023000 045400-053000 121800 150600-171200 171900 191200 2012-2030	Double or more punches. Skipped punches. Double or more punches. Skipped punches. Skipped punches. Jammed and tore punch holes. Appears good. Double punches. Skipped. Skipped.
04 July	0024-0030 0324-0348 0400 0454 0554 0806 0830-0854 0900 1006 1100-1624 1630-1654 1730 1754-1836	Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Double punched and tore tape. Good. Double punched and tore tape. Good. Skipped. Double punched, then skipped. Good. Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Double punched and skipped.

Table I, Gage Malfunctions, Cont.

<u>Date</u>	Time	Comments
05 July	0106 0112 0130-0342 0348 0436-0512 0518	Good. Double punched, skipped. Good. Double punched, skipped. Good. Double punched, skipped.
06 July	2142 2148 2224	Good. Double punched, skipped. Good.
07 July	0624 0630	Good Double punched, jammed.
08 July	031800	Restarted.
09 July	1700 1718-2142 2148 2154 2312-18 2324	Double punched, skipped. Good. Skipped. Good. Skipped. Good
10 July	0442-54 0500 2342 2354	Skipped. Good. Skipped. Skipped.
]] July	0518-30 0542-54 1000 1706-12 1824-36 2242	Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Skipped. Skipped.

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N/MOP21 - Pacific Marine Center

FROM:

N/OMS123 - James R. Hubbard

SUBJECT: Tide Correctors for Wide Bay, Alaska, 945-8461

The Wide Bay (945-8461), tide gage recorded flat high waters from July 16 to August 20, 1982. The missing hourly heights have been inferred by making adjustments to the predicted tides. The inferred values are estimated to be accurate to within ± 0.5 foot (95 percent confidence level).

The tide gage had severe malfunctions during the period 0400, July 8 to July 13, 1982, which required extensive hand processing of the tide roll. The hourly heights from 0000, July 7 through 0300, July 8, 1982, were inferred from predictions, but accuracy cannot be estimated due to the lack of observed data.

