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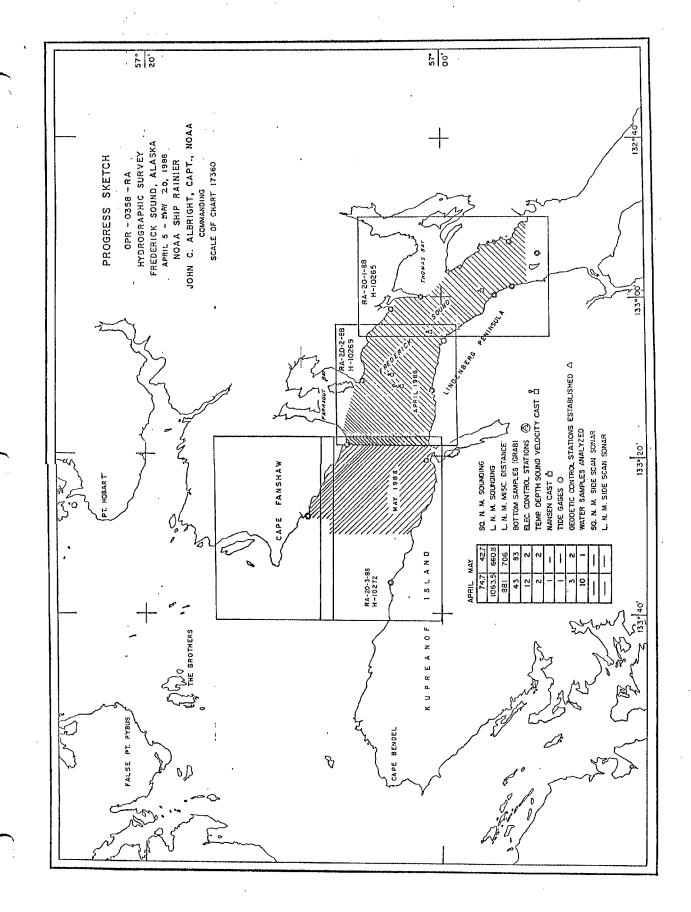
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FIELD NO.

RA 20-1-88

State Alaska
General locality Frederick Sound
Locality Point Agassiz to Cape Strait
Scale 1:20,000 Date of survey April 11 to May 6, 1988
Instructions dated January 29, 1987 Project No. OPR-0358-RA
Vessel NOAA Ship RAINIER (2120), Launches (2123), (2124) and (2126)
Chief of party CAPT John C. Albright, NOAA
Surveyed by LT Mozgala, LTJG Lovell, ENS Hill, ENS Meis, ENS Larsen, ENS Smith
ENS Groeneveld, ENS Noll Soundings taken by echo sounder, hand lead, pole  DSF 6000N, Pneumatic Gage (Dives)
Graphic record scaled by RAINIER Personnel
Graphic record checked by RAINIER Personnel
Verification by: Matthew Sanders Automated plot by PMC Xynetics Plotter
Evaluation by: Gordon E. Kay
Soundings in fathoms *** at **** MLLW and tenths of Fathoms
REMARKS: All times are UTC. Revisions and marginal notes in black were
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non-sequential.
Depths described in <u>feet</u> contained in section K <u>have not been revised</u> .
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#### Descriptive Report to Accompany Hydrographic Survey H-10265

Field Number RA-20-1-88 Scale 1:20,000 1988

NOAA Ship RAINIER Chief of Party: Captain John C. Albright

#### A. Project

A basic hydrographic survey using the navigable area concept was completed in the eastern portion of Frederick Sound, Alaska, as specified by Project Instructions OPR-O358-RA, dated January 29, 1987, Change Number 1, dated February 27, 1987, Change Number 2, dated September 22, 1987, and Change Number 3, dated March 8, 1988.

This survey was one of a series to provide contemporary hydrographic data for existing nautical charts and for a new series of 1:80,000-scale charts. It is part of a continuing program to improve chart coverage of the Inside Passage of southeast Alaska in response to requests from the Southeastern Alaska Pilots' Association, the Department of Transportation of Alaska, and other private interests such as the cruise liner and fishing industries.

The survey is designated sheet B on the revised sheet layout dated February 18, 1988. The field number is RA-20-1-88 and the registry number is H-10265.

#### B. Area Surveyed

The survey was located in the eastern portion of Frederick Sound, Alaska. The survey area is bounded on the south by a line one-half mile north of the Sukoi Islets, latitude 56°54'14" N, and on the north by the Alaska mainland and a line running across the entrance to Thomas Bay from southeast of Wood Point to Point Vandeput. It is bounded on the east by the Alaska mainland and on the west by the Lindenberg Peninsula on Kupreanof Island and a line just east of Cape Strait, longitude 133°04'45"W. The shoreline in this portion of Frederick Sound is steep with rocks and rock outcrops, except in the vicinity of Thomas Bay and the spit of Point Vandeput where it is sandy with embedded rocks and boulders. In this area, the bottom slopes gently away from shore several hundred yards before dropping off sharply.

The bottom throughout the survey area was found to be deep and steeply sloping, with the exceptions of the mud flats southeast of the entrance to Thomas Bay. These mud flats are only visible at or near low tide and extend as much as four hundred yards into the Sound from Wood Point. They are a hazard for vessels

entering or exiting Thomas Bay. A reef and shoal are also present northwest of the entrance to Thomas Bay. They extend from Point Vandeput to the western limit of the marked channel to Thomas Bay. Shoals and rocks visible only at low tide are present from Wood Point south to Point Agassiz.

Data acquisition was conducted from April 11 through May 6 1988 (DN 102 - DN 127).

#### C. Sounding Vessels

All data were acquired from the ship and three automated survey launches.

Sound	ling V	essels

<u>Vessel</u>	EDP No.	<u>Operation</u>
RAINIER	2120	Bottom samples, Nansen cast
		Plessy casts
RA-3	2123	R/R
RA-4	2124	R/R
RA-6	2126	R/R
		Shoreline Verification

No changes to the standard sounding configurations were necessary.

#### D. Sounding Equipment and Corrections to Echo Soundings

All automated survey launches were equipped with Raytheon DSF-6000N echo sounders. The echo sounders were operated in the HIGH + LOW (HIGH DIGITIZED) function, using manual gain controls on both high and low frequencies to obtain the best analog trace. Soundings were recorded in fathoms and tenths of fathoms. Two-fathom bar checks were conducted and recorded daily, using both the LOW and the HIGH + LOW (HIGH DIGITIZED) functions. All DSF-6000 echo sounders were operated in accordance with the Provisional Instructions "RAYTHEON DSF-6000N ECHO-SOUNDER OPERATING AND PROCESSING INSTRUCTIONS", dated July 5, 1983, and the N/CG2 memorandum "DSF-6000N Depth Errors as a Function of Receiver Gain", dated May 23, 1986.

The echo sounders functioned properly, with occasional minor problems. On day 102 S/N A114N in vessel 2124 malfunctioned and was replaced with S/N A103N starting with fix number 4036. S/N A114N was replaced in vessel 2124 on day 112. On day 119 S/N B046N in vessel 2123 was replaced with A103N due to excessive noise on the analog trace while sounding at high speeds. See the Corrections to Echo Sounding Report, OPR-0358-RA-88 for more discussion on echo sounder performance.

While running over extremely steep, irregular bottoms, the echo sounders failed to track properly at times. Running at minimum speeds usually alleviated this problem, but marginal analog traces could sometimes not be avoided.

#### Raytheon DSF-6000N Echo Sounders

<u>Vessel</u>	Serial Number	Day Numbers
2120	A114N	119
2123	B046N	102-114
	A103N	119-127
2124	A114N	102
	A103N	102-111
	A114N	112-119
2126	A119N	102-119

Least depths were sometimes obtained by divers with a 3D Instruments pneumatic depth gage (S/N 8504192N). The gage was operated in accordance with Hydrographic Survey Guideline #55, and was last calibrated March 15, 1988 by the Pacific Operations Group (N/OMA 1214). Systems checks of the pneumatic gage were performed before each dive.

#### Corrections to Echo Soundings

Corrections to echo soundings were determined for heave, draft, velocity of sound through water, settlement and squat, and tides. These correctors are eventually to be applied to all echo soundings. However, in plotting the final field sheet, the determined correctors were applied for heave, velocity, and draft only. Settlement and squat correctors were not applied. Predicted tide correctors were used in lieu of field-determined correctors, and the field tide records have been forwarded to N/OMA121, in accordance with Hydrographic Survey Guideline #50 and the PMC OPORDER. Variations in the instrument initial, stylus arm length, and belt tension are not present with the DSF-6000N.

#### Heave

Corrections for heave were applied while scanning. The scanning technique used in comparing the analog trace with the digital record was chosen to eliminate fluctuations greater than 0.2 fathoms resulting from sea action.

#### Draft

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Transducer depths of 0.3 fathom were measured for all four launches on March 23, 1988 by divers using a large metal T-square. The draft measurements were made at PMC with the fuel tanks averaging 3/4 full. For each launch, measurements with no people and with four people aboard were made, and the average computed. The transducer depths of 0.3 fathom agree with RAINIER historical records. Transducers are mounted starboard, midships, in a location such that all sounding corrections apply to both the low- and high-frequency echo-sounder signals.

#### Velocity Correctors

Velocity of sound through water and the associated corrections to echo soundings were determined by two sound velocity casts using a Plessey Sound Velocity Sensor (S/N 5652 coupled to a Hewlett Packard 5326B Universal Frequency Counter (S/N 1312A02159). The velocity sensor was calibrated at Northwest Regional Calibration Center (NRCC) in Bellevue, Washington on April 4, 1988.

On day 105 a Plessy cast (cast #1) was performed to a depth of 140 meters in the deepest water of the survey area. On day 115 another Plessy cast was conducted (cast #2) to a depth of 225 meters in the deep water immediately northwest of the survey area (within the limits of sheet RA-20-2-88). On day 101 a Nansen cast was performed within the survey area as a check on the Plessy SVD sensor. There was excellent agreement between the Nansen and Plessy cast #1. The velocity correctors used for this survey were determined by taking a mean of the results from the two Plessy casts. Velocity tape number 1, as listed in Appendix IV, was used on the final field sheet for this survey and was used To Reduce Soundinbs durink diffice Processials \* has bead Filed with the Field Records.

Velocity Cast Locations

Cast <u>No.</u>	Deepest Depth (m)	Day <u>Number</u>	Geographic <u>Position</u>
N	130	101	56 <sup>0</sup> 57.2'N, 132 <sup>0</sup> 59.7'W 57 <sup>0</sup> 00.9'N, 133 <sup>0</sup> 04.3'W 57 <sup>0</sup> 03.5'N, 133 <sup>0</sup> 10.0'W
1	140	105	57 <sup>0</sup> 00.9'N, 133 <sup>0</sup> 04.3'W
2	225	115	57 <sup>0</sup> 03.5'N, 133 <sup>0</sup> 10.0'W

#### N=Nansen cast

The Plessy and Nansen casts provide data only at discreet, preselected depths, rather than continuously throughout the water column. Therefore, the method used to compute velocity correctors is similar to that outlined in the Hydrographic Manual Fourth Edition as Example 2 on page 4-77. All supporting data of the Plessy and Nansen casts can be found in the Corrections to Echo Sounding Report for OPR-0358-RA-88.

#### Settlement and Squat

Settlement and squat correctors were determined for the automated survey launches at Shilshole Bay, Washington, on March 30, 1988. Misreadings of the level for vessel 2123 necessitated a rerun of the settlement and squat tests for that vessel in Farragut Bay, Alaska on May 5, 1988. All tests were conducted over a hard bottom in depths exceeding seven times the vessels' drafts. Both sea and wind were calm. Observations were made through a Zeiss Ni2 leveling instrument (S/N 87102) to a rod held vertically on deck of each launch, almost directly over the transducer.

Ten level readings were made at each speed tested, and the average taken, to compute the correctors. Tide staff readings were taken concurrently with each set of level readings, and all tide height differences were normalized to the tide height of the dead-in-the-water level readings.

Soundings on the final field sheet are not corrected for settlement and squat. TC/TI tapes for each automated sounding vessel have been prepared and submitted with this survey. Records of settlement and squat data are included in the Corrections to Echo Sounding Report for OPR-0358-RA-88.

#### **Tide Correctors**

Tide correctors for this survey were provided on a chartlet accompanying the Project Instructions. There were two corrector zones within the survey area. However, to aid in the logistics of acquiring and processing data, only one set of correctors was used. The difference between corrector zones is small. The correctors apply to predicted tides for Juneau, Alaska (945-2210).

A tide station was established at Cape Strait (945-1559). A request for approved tides has been filed (Appendix IX), has been filed with the Field Records.

#### **Tide Correctors**

Applicable	Time Correction		Height
Area	High Water	Low Water	Ratio
northwest area *	- 15 min	- 10 min	x0.95
southeast area	- 15 min	- 10 min	x0.98

<sup>\*</sup> these correctors were applied to all soundings

#### E. Hydrographic Sheets

All field sheets were prepared aboard RAINIER, on a Houston Instrument Complot DP-3 roll plotter, using the PDP8/e Hydroplot system and program RK201, "Grid, Signal, Lattice Plot". Program RK201 draws a modified transverse mercator projection. The final field sheet, a 1:20,000-scale projection, was plotted on one plotter sheet designated RA-20-1-88. Two expansion sheets were plotted at 1:10,000-scale for development where line spacing was less than 100 meters.

#### **Expansion Sheet Limits**

Sheet	Survey Area	Boundaries
Expansion #1	AWOIS 51181- 51186 (25m splits)	North - 57 <sup>0</sup> 00'04"N South - 56 <sup>0</sup> 59'00"N East - 132 <sup>0</sup> 57'33"W West - 132 <sup>0</sup> 59'18"W

North - 57<sup>0</sup>02'56"N South - 57<sup>0</sup>01'18"N East - 133<sup>0</sup>01'48"W West - 133<sup>0</sup>04'48"W

Depth contours were drawn on the final field sheet in accordance with the Hydrographic Manual. In areas of extremely steep bathymetry, not all prescribed contours could be portrayed and still retain legibility.

Depth Contours on Final Field Sheet

Depth Contour-(fm)	<u>Color</u>
0	Orange
1	Green
2	Red
3	Blue
5	Red
10	Orange
20	Blue
30	Violet
40	Green
50	Red

Several areas immediately seaward of the western shore may appear to have small gaps between the mainscheme and shoreline soundings. These areas have been surveyed. The plotter pen was lifted in such areas to retain legibility on the final field sheet. The Short Sheet disthares all significant delths.

The final field sheets, expansion sheets, and accompanying field records, along with this Descriptive Report, are being forwarded to the Pacific Marine Center (N/MOP21) for verification. Office Recorssible

#### F. Control Stations

ELEVEN geodetic stations were used to control this survey. Positions for AG, BRIDGE, CATCH 2, FOX, NEW, NOON, SAND, SOUTH GRAND, and SQUARE are from the NGS data base. CAPE STRAIT LIGHTHOUSE was positioned during this survey and a new unadjusted field position was computed for it. The NGS published position for WAVE 2 was found to be in error because check angles obtained from three different stations during recovery were not in agreement by up to 14 seconds. A new unadjusted field position was computed for it. The positioning of WOOD 2 was in response to a request from the U.S. Coast Guard. WOOD 2 was not used for position control during this survey.

#### **Horizontal Control Stations**

Station	Order, Class	Date Established	Signal No.
AG	<b>3,</b> I	1917	132

BRIDGE	1,I	1917	145
CAPE STRAIT			
<b>∅</b> LIGHTHOUSE	3,I	1988	133
CATCH 2	1,I	1917	142
FOX	1,I	1917	134
NEW	1 <b>,</b> I	1917	106
NOON	1 <b>,</b> I	1917	136
SOUTH GRAND	1 <b>,</b> I	1917	144
SAND	<b>3,</b> I	1917	141
SQUARE	1 <b>,</b> I	1917	138
WAVE 2	3,I	1988	139
WOOD 2	3 <b>,</b> I	1988	*
* Not used for hydro	graphic control		

@ CARE STRAIT LIGHTHOUSE WAS SOUND TO be IN ERROR . A NEW OWADJUSTED POSITION has been determined. SEE ATTACHED

CAPE STRAIT LIGHTHOUSE was located by an open traverse from SQUARE with auxiliary check angles from WOOD 2 and WAVE 2. WOOD 2 was located by a closed traverse from SQUARE to WOOD 2 to SAND. WAVE 2 was located by triangulation from SAND and NOON.

All stations met Third-order, Class I standards for positioning. Further information can be found in the Horizontal Control Report, OPR-O358-RA-88.

Geographic positions were based on the North American Datum of 1927 and Clark Ellipsoid of 1866.

#### G. Hydrographic Position Control

All soundings were located using Motorola's Mini-Ranger III microwave positioning equipment in the HYDROPLOT range-range acquisition mode.

#### Positioning Equipment

Five Mini-Ranger console-R/T pairs and nine shore transponders were used during the project. The following table chronologically summarizes the vessel and console-R/T pair configurations used on this survey.

#### Mobile equipment configuration

Day Numbers	Vessel EDP No.	Vessel Name	Console-R/T Serial No.
102-114	2123	RA-3	720/B1405
126	2123	RA-3	711/B1405
102-113	2124	RA-4	30269/B1388
103	2126	RA-6	711/C1712

The table below lists the shore transponder serial numbers.

#### Shore equipment

Transponder Serial Number	Code
G3510	Α
E2868	В
G3500	C
F3256	Œ
G3501	$\mathbf{F}$
B1412	0
C1883	1
B1106	2
911635	3

#### **Baseline Calibrations**

Baseline calibrations were conducted in accordance with PMC OPORDER 3.3. Three baselines over water were used during the project. The first baseline was 1312 meters, the second was 1446 meters, and the third was 1626 meters (see table below). Calibration results and descriptions of the baselines can be found in the 1968 Electronic Control Report OPR-O358-RA-88.

#### **Calibration Sites**

Location	Distance	Description
Seattle, WA	1312 m	Sandpoint pier to Matthews Beach
Farragut Bay, AK	1446 m	Read Island to mainland Alaska
Kodiak, AK	1626 m	Bell Flats Hwy to NOS Tidal BM

The opening baseline correctors are the final correctors because the closing correctors did not differ by more than six meters from the opening correctors. All baseline calibration data are presented in Electronic Control Report OPR-0358-RA.

#### System Check Procedures

System checks were conducted in accordance with PMC OPORDER 3.3. Critical checks were made at least weekly and noncritical checks were made daily if critical checks were not acquired.

Fixed point observations were made for critical system checks. Fixed point observations were conducted at stations NEW (106), NOON (136), AG (132), SAND (141), and CATCH 2 (142).

Noncritical system checks were conducted using the launch to launch or baseline crossing methods. All noncritical system checks fell within the allowable rejection limits and no systematic discrepancies with opening baseline correctors were observed.

#### Problems and Unusual Position Configurations

The receiver/transponder (R/T) unit C1712 was paired with console 711 and assigned to launch RA-6 after the opening calibration in Seattle. On DN 104, this R/T failed to receive signals, and the previously calibrated pair from launch RA-5 (715/911102) were placed in RA-6. Fixed point critical system checks confirmed the validity of the opening calibration after the transfer. No data were collected by RA-5 before the Mini-Ranger unit was switched, and only one day of data was acquired by RA-6 using 711/C1712 (DN 103).

The R/T unit B1405 on launch RA-3 failed on DN 124. The R/T was repaired and calibrated on DN 125 with console 711 for codes A, B, 1, and 3, and subsequently used for hydrography on DN 126 of this survey.

Null zones and erratic ranges were occasionally experienced due to the destructive interference of direct and reflected rf waves. This problem was reduced significantly by raising the transponders above many of the stations to twenty feet using two ten-foot Raydist tower sections. In addition, the launch antennae were given four-foot extensions useful in increasing the line-of-sight range as well as decreasing the amount of microwave reflection received at the launch. Small errors in position of ten to thirty meters observed on both the automated plotter and the steering needle as the launches neared null zones were rejected and replaced with time and course interpolations.

A minimal amount of soundings were acquired with signal strengths one unit below cutoff. Inspection of baseline calibration data shows the associated error to be less than 10 meters, or less than 0.5 millimeter at the scale of the survey. Therefore, no significant degradation of data quality occurred when using signal strengths at one unit below cutoff.

The following table summarizes significant events in the electronic control for the survey.

#### Summary of Significant Events

DN	Event Description
102	First day of hydro for survey (April 11, 1988)
104	Console-R/T pair 711/C1712 on RA-6 replaced by

- 125 Console-R/T pair 711/B1405 calibrated for RA-3 (May 4, 1988).
- Last day of hydro for sheet B (May 6, 1988)

#### Antenna Offset Distances (ANDIST)

ANDIST (antenna offset distance) was 0,0 in all cases; each launch had its antenna located over the depth transducer.

#### H. Shoreline

With no NOS shoreline maps available, shoreline features on the final field sheet were transferred from 1:20,000-scale enlargements of the following NOS chart and USGS topographic map.

NOS Chart 17367 Scale 1:40000 9th Ed. 4/21/79 USGS Topographic Map Petersburg Quadrangles, Alaska Scale 1:63,360 D-3, 1961

Shoreline details were verified by visual inspection from vessel 2126. All shoreline inspection was accomplished at low stages of tide.

In many areas with steeply sloping bedrock or rocky beaches the chart shows ledge symbols. Most of the ledges are outside of the navigable area, however no major discrepancies were found with the ledges as they appear on the chart blowups. Ledges that did extend into the navigable area were treated as rocks with DP's taken on the outer most limits and the inshore area was noted as being foul.

The locations of significant offshore features were recorded as detached positions on raw data printouts. Cartographic codes were assigned in the field records.

Shoreline details and features were transferred to the field sheet in brown, with additions shown in black. Detached positions were plotted on the final field sheet with their four-digit position numbers. Heights are given in feet and have been corrected for predicted tides. Heights given for rocks and islets refer to the highest portion of each feature.

Check fixes were acquired for over 90% of the shoreline features. A check rate was not available on the remaining features.

Two rocks which appear on the final field sheet north of Point Vandeput were not addressed because they were inaccessible and outside of the navigable area. These rocks are plotted in brown. These Rocks are putside the limits of the was and are not shown on the Shooth Sheet.

Four rocks which did not appear on the source documents were designated as Dangers to Navigation (Section L).

#### I. Crosslines

A total of 28.0 nautical miles of crosslines were run, representing 9.4% of the mainscheme hydrography. A sample of 50 comparisons was made across the sheet.

#### Crossline/Mainscheme Agreement

Within 0.0 fathoms 99% Within 1.0 fathoms 100%

With no major discrepancies noted, agreement between mainscheme and crossline soundings was evaluated to be very good.

#### J. Junctions SEE EVALUATION REPORT SECTION 5

This survey junctions with survey H-10256 (1987), 1:40000-scale, along the southern edge of the sheet. No irregularities were found with soundings or depth contours when comparing the surveys. Agreement of overlapping soundings between surveys was considered excellent, as can be seen from the following table.

#### Sounding Agreement With H-10256

Within 0.1 fathom
Within 1.0 fathom
100%

#### K. Comparison With Prior Surveys SEE EVALUATION REPORT Section 4 AND 6.

This survey was compared to prior survey H-1804 (1887), a 1:80,000-scale smooth sheet. The 1:80000-scale boat sheet, H-1806 (1887), was also used for comparison. The following results were obtained from a sample of eighty-eight comparisons taken across the entire sheet.

#### Sounding Agreement With H-1804 and H-1806

Discrepancy	
(fathoms)	Agreement
1.0	74 %
2.0	79 %
3.0	81 %
4.0	83 %
5.0	84 %
6.0	87 %
7.0	91 %
11.0	93 %
12.0	94 %
13.0	95 %
7.0 11.0 12.0	91 % 93 % 94 %

14.0	96 %
17.0	97 %
19.0	97 %
20.0	98 %
26.0	99 %
30.0	100 %

There was no systematic difference in sign or magnitude of discrepancies with prior surveys. Seventeen of the larger discrepancies were investigated by reduced line spacing in areas where H-10265 was deeper than the prior surveys. No indication of shoaling was found during any of the investigations. Positional and sounding techniques used during the prior survey are probably the cause for these discrepancies. It is recommended that H-10265 soundings supersede all prior survey data.

Of significance is a prior survey sounding of 21 fathoms at  $57^{\circ}01.7^{\circ}N$ ,  $133^{\circ}03.0^{\circ}W$ . This sounding is surrounded by depths of 60 to 70 fathoms on the prior survey. The area was investigated with a 50-meter north-south and east-west line spacing pattern which is plotted on expansion #2. A dive investigation produced a least depth of 85.9 feet  $(14.3^{\circ}fathoms)$  at  $57^{\circ}01^{\circ}49.3^{\circ}W$ ,  $133^{\circ}02^{\circ}52.7^{\circ}A^{\circ}W$  (fix no. 5095). The echo sounder investigation showed the limits of the shoal to be more extensive than indicated on the prior survey. The least depth was reported as a Danger to Navigation (Section L).

Six AWOIS item investigations originated with three 1:20,000-scale wire drag surveys, H-4316 (1923), H-4443A (1924) and H-4443B (1924). See AWOIS listing in Appendix XI. All depths have been reduced to MLLW using predicted tides data.

#### **AWOIS 51181**

Feature: Charted 5 fathoms wire drag sounding from H-4443B, The scaled position is 56°59'13.0"N, 132°57'52.0"W.

Investigation: This area was developed on Expansion Sheet #1 with 25-meter line spacing and crosslines over shoals. Least depths were obtained by pneumatic gage during a dive investigation. A 3-meter x 1.5-meter rock outcrop with a least depth of 28.2 feet (4.78 fathoms) was discovered during a 50-meter radius circle search at 56°59'12.6", N, 132°57'56.4" W (fix no. 4526). The bottom in this area is gently sloping and covered with cobbles, with the AWOIS rock protruding 3.0 feet above the rest. Water visibility was 20 feet. The development is plotted on Expansion Sheet #1. \* This Pasition is 32.79 Meters Southwest Show the AWOIS Position.

Recommendation: The charted 5 fathoms should be replaced with the least depth as described above.

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#### **AWOIS 51182**

Feature: Charted 5.1-fathoms wire drag grounding from H-4443A The charted position is 56059'17.5"N, 132058'05.5"W.

Investigation: The area was developed with 25-meter line spacing and crosslines. A least depth of 28.8 feet (4.8 fathoms) was obtained by pneumatic gage at 56°59'17.4"N, 132°58'05.9"W (fix no. 5091). A dive investigation using a circle search with a 50-meter sweep radius was conducted and the bottom was observed to be flat and covered with cobbles. The water visibility was 25 feet. The development is plotted on Expansion Sheet #1.

\* This Position is 7.56 METERS FROM the AWOIS Position

Recommendation: The charted 5.1/fathoms should be replaced by the least depth as described above.

CONCUR

#### **AWOIS 51183**

Feature: Charted 3.8 fathoms wire drag grounding from H-4316. The charted position is 56°59'18.2"N, 132°58'14.0"W. The AWOIS Listing is in error by showing the longitude as 132°57'14.0"W, which plots the sounding in a foul area near Wood Point.\*

\* Statement incorrect: See Evaluation Report Section 4

Investigation: The feature was developed with 25-meter line spacing and crosslines. A 3-meter diameter rock was found with a least depth of 22.0 feet (3.66 athoms) by pneumatic gage during a dive investigation at 56°59'18.5"N, 132°58'14.6"W (fix no. 4661). A circle search with a 50-meter radius was used. Water visibility was 20 feet. The bottom is covered with cobbles and the AWOIS rock rises 4 feet off the bottom. The development is plotted on Expansion Sheet #1.

Recommendation: The charted 3.8 fathoms should be replaced by the least depth as Concord described above.

\* This PositiON IS 12.43 METERS NORTH WEST SROM the AUDIS PositiON.

#### **AWOIS 51184**

Feature: Charted 1.5 fathoms wire drag grounding from H-4316 The charted position is 56°59'38"N, 132°58'33"W.

Investigation: The feature was developed with 25-meter line spacing and crosslines. A least depth of 8.7 feet (1.4 fathoms) was obtained at 56059'40.0"N, 132058'34.3"W (fix no. 4922) by pneumatic gage during a dive investigation. A circle search was not possible due to a large, thick kelp bed. However, the area was combed by the divers and several other rocks within 30 meters of the least-depth rock had depths within 1 foot of the least-depth rock. Water visibility was 35 feet. The development is plotted on Expansion Sheet #1.

Recommendation: The charted 1.5 fathoms should be replaced with the least depth as described above.

CONCUR

\* This Position is 81.33 METERS NORTHWEST FROM the AWDIS POSITION.

#### **AWOIS 51185**

Feature: Charted 1.3 fathoms wire drag grounding from H-4316. The charted position is 56°59'45"N, 132°58'43"W.

Investigation: The feature was developed with 25-meter line spacing and crosslines. A least depth of 6.6 feet (1.1/2 fathoms) on a 3-meter diameter rock was obtained by pneumatic depth gage during a dive investigation at 56°59'45.1"N, 132°58'42.6"W (fix no. 4921). A circle search was not possible due to a large, thick kelp bed. However, the divers systematically investigated the area and the least depth point was obvious. Water visibility was 35 feet. The bottom is a cobble covered, gradually sloping shoal and the AWOIS rock rises 4 feet above bottom. The development is plotted on Expansion Sheet #1.

**Recommendation:** The charted  $\frac{1/4}{1.3}$  fathoms should be replaced with the least depth lower as described above.

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AWOIS 51186 SEE EVALUATION REBET SECTION 6

Feature: Charted 2.8 fathoms wire drag grounding from H-4316. The charted position is 56°59'52"N, 132°58'43"W.

Investigation: The feature was developed with 25-meter line spacing and crosslines. A least depth of 22.6 feet (3.78 fathoms) was obtained by pneumatic gage at 56°59'52.9"N, 132°59'00.2"W (fix no. 5094). A dive investigation using a circle search with a 100-meter radius was conducted over this area. Water visibility was 25 feet. The bottom is flat and covered with cobbles and boulders. No indication of a 2.8% fathom least depth was found. This development is plotted on Expansion Sheet #1.

234 Fm Sound at Latitude 51°59 '49.65" North. Longitude 132°58'53.18" West.

Recommendation: The charted 2.8 fathoms should be replaced with the least depth as described above.

An additional dive was conducted in the area of AWOIS items 51181-51186 where there was indication of an uncharted shoal from the echo sounder investigation. The dive revealed a large rock at 56°59'25.06"N, 132°58'21.22"W (fix no. 5093), with a least depth of 7.9 feet (1.3 fathoms) from the pneumatic gage. The nearest charted depth in this area is 2.75 fathoms. It is recommended that the least depth from the dive investigation be charted in the position as described above. This feature was reported as a Danger to Navigation.

## L. Comparison With the Chart SEE EVALUATION REPORT SECTION 7

Survey H-10265 was compared to the following charts:

#### Charts for Comparison

Chart Number	Scale	Edition	Date
17360	217,828	26th	08/18/84
17367	40,000	9th	04/21/79

#### Danger to Navigation Reports

The following dangers to navigation were discovered and have been reported to the Seventeenth Coast Guard District, Juneau, Alaska (Appendix X).

#### **Dangers to Navigation**

Feature	Least Depth Shothed on Shooth Sheet	Fix no.	Position
Shoal	1.3 fathoms 1.4 KK	5093	56°59'25"N 132°58'21"W AWOUS THEM FILEL 57°01'49"N 133°02'53"W
Shoal	14.3 fathoms 14.5	5095	57 <sup>0</sup> 01'49 <sup>2</sup> N 133 <sup>0</sup> 02' <del>53</del> <sup>2</sup> W
Rock	1.6 feet $\frac{1}{2}$	8038	56 <sup>0</sup> 54'1 <del>1'</del> N" 132 <sup>0</sup> 50'5##W
Rock	exposed 1.0 feet $\frac{1}{2}$	8039	56 <sup>0</sup> 54'24 <sup>#</sup> N 132 <sup>0</sup> 51'36 <sup>#</sup> W
Rock	1.4 feet $* \overline{(i)}$	8041	56°55' <del>32"</del> N 132°53'14"W
Rock	1.3 fathoms /./RK	8047	57°01'18"N 133°00'13"W
Rock	1.4 fathoms	80486	57 <sup>0</sup> 01' <del>20</del> "N 133 <sup>0</sup> 00'13"W
Rock	1.8 fathoms /.bRK	8049	57 <sup>0</sup> 01'4 <u>5"</u> W 133 <sup>0</sup> 00'18"W

#### Comparison of Sounding Features

All of the soundings on charts 17360 and 17367 came from survey H-1804 (1887). A comparison of these soundings can be found in section K. See Evaluation Religious J

#### Non-Sounding Features

Non-sounding features are described in section H.

#### M. Adequacy of Survey

This survey is complete and adequate to be used for charting purposes, and to supersede any historical data, within the Common area at this Navibable AREA Survey.

#### N. Aids to Navigation

There are two floating aids to navigation within the survey area. These are located at the entrance to Thomas Bay and both observed positions were compared to published positions in the 1988 Light List (LL), Volume VI.

#### Floating Aids to Navigation

Buoy (LL #)	PositiON No.	Published	Observed
Thomas Bay Entrance Buoy 1 (23230)	#B044	56 <sup>0</sup> 59.3'N 132 <sup>0</sup> 58.2'W	56 <sup>0</sup> 59'17.35"N 132 <sup>0</sup> 58'12.47"W
Thomas Bay Entrance Lighted Bell Buoy 2 (23225)	-tt-8043	56 <sup>o</sup> 59.1'N 132 <sup>o</sup> 57.8'W	56 <sup>0</sup> 59'07.82"N 132 <sup>0</sup> 57'47. <del>36</del> W

Buoy 1 is a can buoy; buoy 2 is a bell buoy with a flashing six second red light.

There are two fixed aids to navigation within the survey area. These are Cape Strait Light and Beacon Point Daybeacon BP. Both were located using third order, class I traverse techniques, and there was good agreement between the computed positions and the published positions in the 1988 Light List (LL), Volume VI.

#### Fixed Aids to Navigation

LL#	Aid	Observed	Published
23220	Beacon Point Daybeacon BP	56 <sup>0</sup> 56'23.36 <mark>2</mark> "N 132 <sup>0</sup> 59'38.7 <del>9</del> 8"W	56 <sup>0</sup> 56.4'N / 132 <sup>0</sup> 59.6'N
23240	Cape Strait Light	56 <sup>0</sup> 59'54.48 <del>8</del> "N 133 <sup>0</sup> 05'26.1 <del>71</del> "W	56 <sup>0</sup> 59.9'N × 133 <sup>0</sup> 05.5'W

Cape Strait Light is a flashing six second white light. The structure also has a diamond-shaped dayboard divided into four diamond-shaped colored sectors with white sectors at the side corners and red sectors at the top and bottom corners.

The Beacon Point Daybeacon BP structure has a square green dayboard with the letters "BP" in the center. The dayboard is bordered with green reflective tape.

#### O. Statistics

EDP No.	Number of <u>Positions</u>	Nautical Miles of Sounding Lines
2120	27	0
2123	<b>1123</b> /073	201.3
2124	<del>1094</del> /08/	163.2
2125	0	0
2126	<del>637</del> <i>b15</i>	199.3
TOTAL	<del>2882</del> 2806	563.8

SQUARE MILES OF HYDROGRAPHY	:	38.4
MILES OF SIDE SCAN	:	0.0
BOTTOM SAMPLES	:	27
TIDE STATIONS	:	1
VELOCITY CASTS	:	3
DAYS OF PRODUCTION	:	21
MAGNETIC STATIONS	:	0
CURRENT STATIONS	;	0

#### P. Miscellaneous

All bottom samples have been submitted to the Smithsonian Institution (Appendix VII). Bottom samples were spaced nine centimeters, rather than six centimeters, at the survey scale because anchoring is not possible in practically all of the survey area for the water is too deep. Also, no substantial difference was found in the characteristics of the samples acquired throughout the survey area, and the samples obtained confirmed the charted bottom characteristics.

Reconnaissance current observations for diving operations were made at the mouth of Thomas Bay on April 12, 1988. The set of the current was 042° true during flood and 230° true during ebb. A maximum ebb current speed of 1.8 knots was observed at 1400 ADT.

Loran-C comparisons were made during bottom sample acquisition and forwarded to the Defense Mapping Agency Hydrographic/Topographic Center (DMAHTC) per PMC OPORDER 1.2.4.

#### Q. Recommendations

The hydrographer considers field work on this survey to be complete and adequate to supersede prior surveys, With IN the COMMON AREAS

Considerable fishing and recreational boat traffic was observed in the vicinity of Thomas Bay. This area should be surveyed as soon as shoreline photography has been obtained.

#### R. Automated Data Processing

Data acquisition and processing were accomplished with a PDP 8/e Hydroplot computer system, using the standard programs.

#### Computer Programs Used For Data Processing

<u>NUMBER</u>	DESCRIPTION	<u>VERSION</u>
RK 112	HYPERBOLIC,R/R HYDROPLOT	3/01/86
RK 116	RANGE-AZIMUTH RTS	3/01/86
RK 201	GRID, SIGNAL, AND LATTICE PLOT	4/18/75
RK 221	COMB R/R & HYPER PLOT NON-RT	7/25/86
RK 226	RANGE-AZ POSN & SND PLOT NON-RT	7/25/86
RK 300	UTILITY COMPUTATIONS	10/21/80
RA 362	RK 330 AND AM 602 COMBINED	8/20/84
RK 407	GEODETIC INVERSE/DIRECT COMP	9/25/78
RK 409	GEODETIC UTILITY PACKAGE	9/20/78
AM 500	PREDICTED TIDE GENERATOR	11/10/72
RK 530	LAYER CORRECTIONS FOR VELOCITY	5/10/76
RK 561	H/R GEODETIC CALIBRATION	12/01/82
RK 562	THEODOLITE CALIBRATION	9/05/84
AM 602	ELINORE - LINE ORIENTED EDITOR	12/08/82
RK 606	TAPE DUPLICATOR	8/22/74
AM 607	SELF-STARTING BINARY LOADER	8/10/80
RK 610	BINARY TAPE DUPLICATOR	1/31/85
RK 900	PLOT TEST TAPE GENERATOR FOR AM902	5/07/76
PM 901	CORE CHECK	3/01/72
AM 902	REAL TIME CHECKOUT	11/10/72
DA 903	DIAGNOSTIC-INSTRUCTION TIMER	2/27/76
RK 905	HYDROPLOT CONTROLLER CHECKOUT	3/18/81
RK 935	HYDROPLOT HARDWARE TESTS	3/15/82
RK 950	HARDWARE TESTS (DOCUMENTATION ONLY)	6/02/75

In plotting the final field sheet, overprints were removed by various techniques. The pen was manually lifted and special corrector tapes were made to edit out individual soundings. These tapes have not been submitted. Some soundings, especially least depths, have been transferred by hand to the final field sheet from NSP data.

#### Fix Numbers

A standard series of fix numbers was assigned to each survey vessel.

Vessel Number	Survey Fixes		
2120	1-27		
2123	3000-3998		
	2000-2072		
2124	4000-5095		
2126	6000-6579		
	8000-8059		

The following position numbers are duplicates: 3555-3641, 6544-6579, 6612

#### S. Referral to Reports

Several supplementary reports contain additional information relevant to this survey.

#### Supplemental Reports

TITLE	DATE SENT TO MARINE CENTER
Horizontal Control Report, OPR-O358-RA-88	July, 1988
Electronic Control Report, OPR-O358-RA-88	July, 1988
Corrections to Echo Sounding Report OPR-0358-RA-88	July, 1988
Marine Mammal Report, RP-12-88	June, 1988
Coast Pilot Report, OPR-O358-RA-88	June, 1988

Respectfully Submitted;

Carl R. Groeneveld

Ensign, NOAA

Approved and Forwarded;

John C. Albright Captain, NOAA

Commanding Officer, RAINIER

#### FIELD TIDE NOTE

#### OPR-0358-RA-88, Frederick Sound, Alaska

OPR-O358-RA-88, Frederick Sound Alaska, includes three hydrographic surveys which were completed during April-May 1988. H-10265 (Sheet B), H-10269 (Sheet C), and H-10272 (Sheet D) are the affected surveys. Field-tide reduction of soundings was based on predicted tides computed with program AM 500, Predicted Tide Generator, by using the predicted tides for the Juneau, Alaska, tide station (945-2210). Three corrector zones were prescribed for the project area, but as an aid in processing logistics, only two sets of correctors were used. The corrector set which covered the most area of a particular survey was applied. The table below shows the small difference between the corrector sets.

Sheet	Time Con <u>High Water</u>		Height <u>Ratio</u>
NONE	-Ohr 15min	-Ohr 10min	0.98
в,с	-Ohr 15min	-Ohr 10min	0.95
D	-Ohr 15min	-Ohr 10min	0.91

Near the beginning and end of the project, leveling was conducted at the Juneau tide station to connect three bench marks with the staff. The opening levels were conducted by RAINIER personnel on April 15 and closing levels were conducted by FAIRWEATHER personnel and will be submitted separately.

The following tide station was installed in the project area:

#### CAPE STRAIT, FREDERICK SOUND, ALASKA (945-1559)

Geographic Locale - 56° 59.9' N, 133° 05.6' W

Installation Date - April 10, 1988

Removal Date - May 18, 1988

Gage Type - Bristol bubbler (S/N 67A-16205) with a backup Bristol bubbler (S/N 73A-235). The gages were placed on a wooden trestle behind the Cape Strait light structure. The orifices were attached to a steel plate which was anchored to the bottom with four-foot sand anchors. Below the surf zone, tubing was anchored with rocks and chain. Above the surf zone, the tubing was secured to the bedrock with eye bolts.

Staff - The staff was 12 feet long made of four-inch aluminum angle iron with vitrified scale. It was secured to bedrock with 2x4 wooden braces and angle iron located 50 feet north of BM 1559 B. The staff stop was a stainless steel hex machine bolt located at 16.120 ft on the staff.

#### Staff Zero/Gage Zero

Gage # 67A-16205 Before 4/23: 0.64 After 4/23: 1.68 Gage # 73A-235 Before 4/23: 1.18 After 4/23: 1.87

#### Gage Time - Universal Coordinated Time

Bench Marks - Five bench marks were recovered at this station: 1559 A 1987, 1559 B 1987, 1559 C 1987, 1559 D 1987, and 1559 E 1987. The five bench marks were connected in the initial and final leveling.

<u>Levels</u> - Installation levels were completed on April 10, connecting the five bench marks mentioned above. Final levels were completed on May 18. The initial and final levels agreed to within 0.002 m.

#### Marigram Records -

GAGE # 67A-16205: Marigram records are continuous:

<u>TO</u>
4/16/88 @ 1502
4/17/88 @ 1535
4/18/88 @ 1620
4/22/88 @ 2305
4/23/88 @ 1735
4/27/88 @ 1653
5/10/88 @ 1940
5/18/88 @ 2105

#### GAGE # 73A-235: Marigram records are continuous:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
4/10/88 @ 2211	4/11/88 @ 1659
4/11/88 @ 1724	4/12/88 @ 1839
4/12/88 @ 1845	4/14/88 @ 1918
4/14/88 @ 1930	4/16/88 @ 1712
4/16/88 @ 1825	4/17/88 @ 1940
4/17/88 @ 2125	4/18/88 @ 2232
4/18/88 @ 2355	4/19/88 @ 1639
4/19/88 @ 1720	4/19/88 @ 2242
4/19/88 @ 2300	4/20/88 @ 1935
4/20/88 @ 1947	4/23/88 @ 1730
4/23/88 @ 1824	4/27/88 @ 1648
4/27/88 @ 1650	5/3/88 @ 1755
5/3/88 @ 1800	5/5/88 @ 2250
5/5/88 @ 2256	5/12/88 @ 2022
5/12/88 @ 2025	5/14/88 @ 0140
5/17/88 @ 2130	5/18/88 @ 2036

#### Station Problems

On April 20, the chart drive from gage 73A-235 was replaced with a new chart drive (S/N: 210102) after having repeated problems keeping time and paper alignment.

Due to an extreme spring low tide, the orifices were exposed during the following dates and times (differences in time occur because of correct time and gage time adjustments):

	#73A-235	#67A-1620 <u>5</u>
•	Gage Time	Gage Time
April 16	1710 to 1825	1500 to 1630
April 17	1940 to 2127	1530 to 1730
April 18	2230 to 2355	1620 to 1800
April 19		1720 to 1815

No hydrographic data were collected from April 16 to April 18. Because the orifice on gage 73A-235 was set slightly deeper than the orifice on gage 67A-16205, no tide data were lost on April 19. Inspection of the marigram records revealed that the tide trace did not fall to zero upon exposure. Gage 67A-16205 fell to 1.0 feet, and gage 73A-235 fell to 2.5 feet upon exposure. Therefore, on April 23, RAINIER personnel brought the orifices to the surface to calibrate a zero trace. Before calibrating, the gages were exposed to atmosphere and read the same as when previously exposed during the spring low tides. The orifices were then placed at a deeper depth to avoid exposure during spring low tides. Three hour observations were made on the morning of April 24.

On May 14, at approximately 0140 the paper in gage 73A-235 jammed. This caused a loss of data until May 17 at 2130, when the paper was replaced. During the same time interval the primary gage (67A-16205) functioned normally.

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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE

NOAA Ship RAINIER S-221 1801 Fairview Avenue East Seattle, Washington 98102

June 10, 1988

Commander Seventeenth Coast Guard District P.O. Box 3-5000 Juneau, AK 99802

#### Dear Sir:

I request the following be published in the Local Notice to Mariners for the Seventeenth District:

The NOAA Ship RAINIER of the National Ocean Service has conducted 1988 charting operations in eastern Frederick Sound, Alaska. Three fixed aids to navigation were located by geodetic methods to third order, class I standards on the NAD27 datum:

- 1. Beacon Point Daybeacon, 56°56'23.362"N and 132°59'38.708"W.
- Cape Strait Light, 56°59'54.488"N and 133°05'26.171"W.
- 3. Grand Point Light, 57°05'28.974"N and 133°11'06.353"W

The following dangers to navigation have been discovered (all depths have been reduced to MLLW using predicted tides; positions are based on NAD 27 datum):

- 1. Rock with a least depth of 1.6 feet at 56°54'11"N and 132°50'57"W.
- Rock exposed 1.0 feet at 56<sup>0</sup>54'24"N and 132<sup>0</sup>51'36"W.
- 3. Rock with a least depth of 1.4 feet at 56°55'32"N and 132°53'14"W.
- 4. Shoal with a least depth of 1.3 fathoms at 56059'25"N and 132058'21"W.
- 5. Rock with a least depth of 1.3 fathoms at 57°01'18"N and 133°00'13"W.



- 6. Rock with a least depth of 1.4 fathoms at 57001'20"N and 133000'13"W.
- 7. Rock with a least depth of 1.8 fathoms at 57°01'45"N and 133°00"18"W.
- 8. Shoal with a least depth of 14.3 fathoms at 57001'49"N and 133002'53"W.
- 9. Rock with a least depth of 9.8 fathoms at 57°00'52"N and 133°15'47"W.
- 10. Rock with a least depth of 2.0 fathoms at 57000'45"N and 133015'43"W.
- 11. Shoal with a least depth of 3.5 fathoms at 5704'52"N and 133005'29"W.
- 12. Shoal with a least depth of 8.8 fathoms at 57000'44"N and 133013'12"W.
- 13. Shoal with a least depth of 5.2 fathoms at 57000'39"N and 133015'47"W.
- 14. Shoal with a least depth of 12.1 fathoms at 57°05'14"N and 133°11'18"W.
- 15. Shoal with a least depth of 1.1 fathoms at 5705'57"N and 133011'17"W.
- 16. Snag exposed 0.4 feet at 57<sup>0</sup>05'45"N and 133<sup>0</sup>11'13"W.
- 17. Shoal with a least depth of 11.2 fathoms 57007'57"N and 133011'50"W (Position Approximate).
- 18. Shoal with a least depth of 15.9 fathoms 5708'10"N and 133010'23"W (Position Approximate).

Features 1-8 were discovered while working on survey H-10265, Frederick Sound, Point Agassiz to Cape Strait. Features 9-16 were discovered while working on survey H-10269, Frederick Sound, Cape Strait to Bay Point. Features 17 and 18 were discovered outside of the project area in Farragut Bay while transiting to and from anchorage.

The following NOS charts are affected:

17360 26th ed 8/18/84 1:217828 NAD27 DATUM 17367 9th ed 4/21/79 1:40000 NAD27 DATUM

These are preliminary depths, heights, and positions subject to office review. Questions concerning these data can be directed to:

Director, Pacific Marine Center 1801 Fairview Avenue East Seattle, Washington 98102 (206) 442-7656

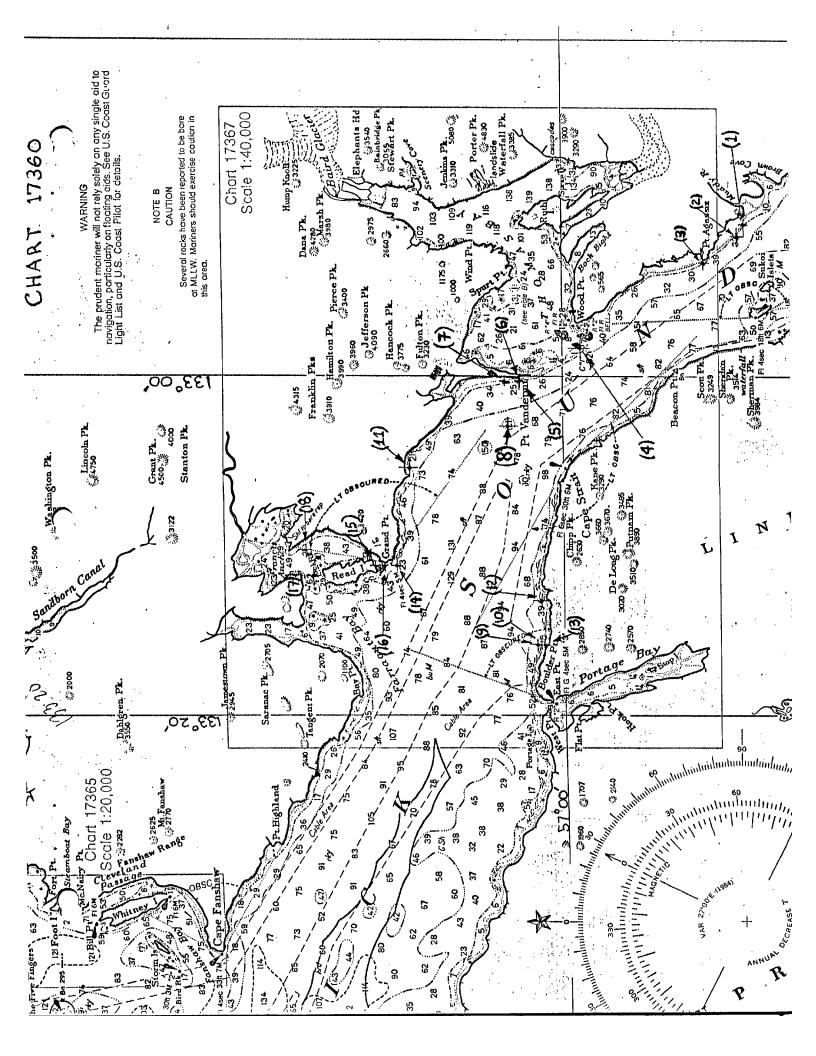
Sincerely,

John C. Albright Captain, NOAA

Commanding Officer

Enclosure

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE NOAA Ship RAINIER S-221 1801 Fairview Ave. East Seattle, WA 98102

June 10, 1988

Director DMAHTC 6500 Brooks Lane Washington, DC 20315

Dear Sir:

During 1988 surveys in eastern Frederick Sound, Alaska, the NOAA Ship RAINIER located three aids to navigation and discovered eighteen dangers to navigation. These have been reported to the Seventeenth Coast Guard District for publication in the Local Notice to Mariners. A copy of the report describing them is enclosed.

Sincerely,

John C. Albright

Captain, NOAA

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Commanding Officer

Enclosure



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- 1.6 FEET ROCK AT 56/54/11N 132/50/57W
- в. 1.0 FOOT EXPOSED ROCK AT 56/54/24N 132/51/36W
- 1.4 FEET ROCK AT 56/55/32N 132/53/14W
- 1.3 FATHOM SHOAL AT 56/59/25N 132/58/21W

- 1.3 FATHOM ROCK AT 57/01/18N 133/00/13W 1.4 FATHOM ROCK AT 57/01/20N 133/00/13W 1.8 FATHOM ROCK AT 57/01/45N 133/00/18W
- 14.3 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/01/49N 133/02/53W
- 9.8 FATHOM ROCK AT 57/00/52N 133/15/47W
- 2.0 FATHOM ROCK AT 57/00/45N 133/15/43W
- 3.5 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/04/52N 133/05/29W
- 8.8 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/00/44N 133/13/12W
- 5.2 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/00/39N 133/15/47W
- 12.1 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/05/14N 133/11/18W
- 1.1 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/05/57N 133/11/17W
- 0.4 FOOT EXPOSED SNAG AT 57/05/45N 133/11/13W

THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS ARE APPROXIMATE:

- 11.2 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/07/57N 133/11/50W
- 15.9 FATHOM SHOAL AT 57/08/10N 133/10/23W

THE FOLLOWING NOS CHARTS ARE AFFECTED: 17367 9TH ED APR21/79 26TH ED AUG18/84 1:217828 THIS IS ADVANCE INFORMATION SUBJECT TO OFFICE REVIEW.// A LETTER WITH ATTACHED CHARTLET IS BEING MAILED TO YOU TO CONFIRM THIS MESSAGE. BT#0000

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Commander (OAN) Seventeenth Coast Guard District P.O. Box 3-5000 Juneau, Alaska 99802

Dear Sir:

During the office review of hydrographic survey H-10265, Alaska, Frederick Sound, Point Agassiz to Cape Strait, changes were noted (see below) which affect the following chart:

17367 (9th ed., 04/21/79; datum: NAD 27)

Questions concerning the survey may be directed to Cdr. Thomas W. Richards, Chief, Nautical Chart Branch, telephone (206) 526-6835.

The following statements are recommended for inclusion in the Local Notice to Mariners; depths are reduced to MILW:

A. "A rock, covered by 4.7 fathoms, is located at latitude 56/59/12N, longitude 132/57/56W. The rock is in the entrance channel to Thomas Bay, between buoy 1 and buoy 2. The rock bears 100 degrees true, 4.15 nautical miles from Cape Strait Light."

B. "A rock, covered by 4.8 fathoms, is located at latitude 56/59/17N, longitude 132/58/06W. The rock is in the entrance channel to Thomas Bay, at the location of the charted 5 1/4 fathom depth. The rock bears 099 degrees true, 4.08 nautical miles from Cape Strait Light."

C. "Depths of 7 fathoms were found at the location of the charted 26 fathom depth, at latitude 56/57/39N, longitude 132/54/54W, bearing 112 degrees true and 6.2 nautical miles from Cape Strait Light."

D. "Depths of 0 to 1 fathoms were found at the location of the charted 9 fathom depth, at latitude 56/57/03N, longitude 132/54/06W, bearing 115 degrees true and 6.8 nautical miles from Cape Strait Light."

E. "Depths of 9 fathoms were found at the location of the charted 12 fathom depth, at latitude 56/55/58N, longitude 132/53/37W, bearing 122 degrees true and 7.5 nautical miles from Cape Strait Light."

Sincerely,

Robert L. Sandquist Rear Admiral, NOAA

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Director, Pacific Marine Center

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#### **APPROVAL SHEET**

# Descriptive Report to Accompany Hydrographic Survey RA-20-1-88 H-10265

Standard procedures were followed in accordance with the Hydrographic Manual, Fourth Edition; the Hydrographic Survey Guidelines; and the PMC OPORDER in producing this survey. The data were examined daily during data acquisition and processing.

The field sheet and accompanying records have been examined by me, are considered complete and adequate for charting purposes, and are approved.

John C. Albright Captain, NOAA

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Commanding Officer

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE

#### TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

DATE: September 7, 1988

MARINE CENTER: Pacific

OPR: 0358

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET: H-10265

LOCALITY: Point Agassiz to Cape Strait, Frederick Sound, AK

TIME PERIOD: April 11 - May 18, 1988

TIDE STATION(S) USED: 945-1558 Cape Strait, AK

PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): 5.33 ft.

HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 14.5 ft.

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#### PACIFIC MARINE CENTER EVALUATION REPORT H-10265

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Survey H-10265 is a navigable area survey accomplished by the NOAA Ship RAINIER under the following Project Instructions.

OPR-O358-RA, dated January 29, 1987 CHANGE NO. 1, dated February 27, 1987 CHANGE NO. 2, dated September 22, 1987 CHANGE NO. 3, dated March 8, 1988

This survey occurred in Alaska and covers an area in Frederick Sound extending from Cape Strait at longitude 133°04'45"N southeast to just north of the Sukoi Islands at latitude 56°54'06"N. The surveyed area includes the entrance to Thomas Bay. The mountains around Frederick Sound are steep. The slope continues at the water line to the bottom of the sound, where depths reach 87 fathoms. There are portions of the shoreline in this section of Frederick Sound that are rugged with scattered rocks and bedrock outcrops. The bottom consists of mud and sand.

Predicted tides for Juneau, Alaska were used for the reduction of soundings during field processing. Approved hourly heights zoned from Cape Strait, gage 945-1558, were used during office processing.

The field sheet parameters have been revised to center the hydrography on the smooth sheet and to change the projection to polyconic. The TRA, sound velocity and electronic control correctors are adequate. An accompanying computer printout contains the revised data.

A digital file, generated for this survey, includes categories of information required to comply with N/CG2 Hydrographic Survey Guideline No. 23, Completion of Digital Hydrographic Surveys, September 7, 1983. Certain descriptive information, however, may not be in the digital record due to the restrictions of the presently available cartographic codes. The user should refer to the smooth sheet for complete information.

#### CONTROL AND SHORELINE

Sections F and G of the hydrographer's report and the 1988 Horizontal and Electronic Control Reports for OPR-O358-RA contain adequate discussions of horizontal control and hydrographic positioning.

Positions of horizontal control stations used during hydrography are published and 1988 field values based on NAD 27. These values were used during office processing for the computation of positions. The smooth sheet and accompanying overlays are annotated with NAD 83 adjustment ticks based on values determined by N/CG121. Geographic positions based on NAD 83 may be plotted on the smooth sheet utilizing the NAD 27 projection by applying the following corrections.

Latitude: 1.236 seconds (38.2 meters)
Longitude: -6.220 seconds (-105.2 meters)

The year of establishment of control stations shown on the smooth sheet originates with the field records and the published NGS data.

There are nine weak fixes, angles of intersection less than 30 degrees or more than 150 degrees, noted in this survey. However, there are no significant plotting differences between the soundings located by these fixes and those in adjacent areas. Also, none of these fixes are used to position dangers to navigation. These fixes are considered acceptable.

There are no registered shoreline maps applicable to this survey. Shoreline depicted on the smooth sheet originates with the following sources.

- a. U.S.G.S. map, Petersburg (D-3), dated 1961, scale 1:63,360
- b. Chart 17367, 9th edition, dated April 21, 1979; scale 1:40,000
- c. Blueprint 131922 (revisions compiled on chart base of chart 17367)

Shoreline is drawn in brown ink on the smooth sheet for orientation purposes only.

The shoreline is shown in dashed red in the vicinity of latitude 57°04'36"N, longitude 133°04'06"W. It is plotted using estimated distances observed by the hydrographer and listed in the raw data printouts.

#### HYDROGRAPHY

The mountains along Frederick Sound have steep slopes that continue below the waterline into the sound. The steep slopes produce deep soundings very close to the shoreline. The depth curves were drawn with the farthest offshore curve retained over the shoaler depth curves. Hydrography is adequate to:

- a. delineate the bottom configuration, determine least depths and draw the standard depth curves;
- b. reveal there are no significant discrepancies or anomalies requiring further investigation; and
- c. show the survey was properly controlled and soundings are correctly plotted.

#### 4. CONDITION OF SURVEY

The hydrographic records and reports received for processing are adequate and conform to the requirements of the Hydrographic Manual, 4th Edition, revised through Change No. 3; the Hydrographic Survey Guidelines; and the PMC OPORDER, except as follows.

- a. The hydrographer did not adequately supersede prior surveys by not comparing to surveys H-3991(1917)WD, H-4316(1923)WD, H-4443a(1924) and H-4443b(1924)WD as required by section 6.10. of the Project Instructions; see section 6.
- b. The hydrographer did not acquire adequate sounding data in the vicinity of latitude 56°58'54"N, longitude 132°57'06"W to develop the 3-fathom curve, the inshore limit for this navigable area survey, as required by section 1.8.1. of the Project Instructions; see section 9.
- c. In Section K, Comparison with Prior Surveys, the hydrographer states that the AWOIS contains an incorrect geographic position for item 51183. A review of the AWOIS reveals that the hydrographer was using an obsolete version of the AWOIS listing, dated January 15, 1987. The correct version which should have been in use during the survey is dated February 22, 1988. This version contains the correct geographic position. Failure to use the appropriate versions of support documents may result in erroneous conclusions and improper charting recommendations. This statement in the Descriptive Report has been noted as being incorrect.
- d. Section N., Aids to Navigation, of the hydrographer's report compares Light List positions to surveyed positions of aids to navigation. The positions contained in the Light List are approximate. The hydrographer should compare surveyed positions with the chart and with the DIPFILE as required in section 2.4.2. of the Project Instructions; see section 7.d.

#### 5. JUNCTIONS

Survey H-10265 junctions with the following surveys.

Survey	<u>Year</u>	Scale	<u>Area</u>
H-10256	(1987)	1:20,000	South
H-10269	(1988)	1:20,000	West

The junctions with surveys H-10256 and H-10269 are complete. Soundings are in good agreement. Some soundings from surveys H-10256 and H-10269 have been carried forward to survey H-10265 in the junction area to better portray the bottom and to bring the depth curves into agreement.

There are no contemporary surveys to the northeast in Thomas Bay. A comparison was made to chart 17367, 9th edition, in the junction area. The entrance to Thomas Bay is marked by a rocky shoal which is charted. The present survey depicts a portion of the shoal in considerable detail; however, further development is required to determine if the charted presentation is adequate.

#### 6. COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS

H-1804 (1887) 1:80,000 H-1806 (1887) 1:80,000 H-4443a (1924) 1:20,000 Surveys H-1804 and H-1806 cover the entire area of the present survey. Soundings depicted on survey H-1804 also appear on survey H-1806. Survey H-1806 appears to be a preliminary version of survey H-1804. Some discrepancies between these priors and survey H-10265 were noted and are discussed in the hydrographer's report, section K, pages 11-12. In general, the prior surveys compare well to the present survey in deeper depths. The development of shoals on these priors, however, is inadequate, which is probably due to the hydrographer's inability to discover all shoal points using a leadline within the time allowed for the survey.

Survey H-4443a is located in the junction area near Thomas Bay. Present soundings agree well with this prior survey. However, in the vicinity of latitude 56°58'54"N, longitude 132°57'06"W present hydrography was not adequate to develop the 3-fathom curve. Twelve soundings were transferred from survey H-4443a to survey H-10265 in red ink.

With the transfer of soundings from survey H-4443a to the smooth sheet, survey H-10265 is adequate to supersede the prior surveys within the common area, which, in some areas, does not include the area between the 3-fathom curve and the high water line. Hydrography depicted on the smooth sheet inshore of the 3-fathom curve is adequate to supplement that depicted on prior surveys, but is not adequate to supersede with the following exception. The offshore shoal at the entrance to Thomas Bay is sufficiently developed to supersede prior survey information within the limits of common hydrography.

T-3687 (1917) 1:20,000 T-3688 (1917) 1:20,000

These shoreline maps were compared to survey H-10265. The present survey located more offshore rocks than these prior surveys. Survey H-10265 is adequate to supersede these prior maps as a source for charted hydrography.

H-3991(1917)WD 1:20,000 H-4316(1923)WD and Supplemental Work 1:20,000 H-4443b(1924)WD 1:20,000

Wire drag surveys H-3991WD, H-4316WD and H-4443bWD agree with the present survey.

AWOIS items 51181, 51182, 51183, 51184 and 51185 originate from the above priors and the disposition of each is adequately discussed in section K of the hydrographer's report, pages 12-14.

AWOIS item 51186, a charted 2 3/4-fathoms (16-feet) depth from survey H-4316WD, is located at the center of an underwater ridge that extends northwest from AWOIS item 51185, a 1.2-fathom depth, to depths over 6.0

fathoms. This entire area was developed by echosounder with 25-meter line spacing and investigated with divers using a 100-meter circle search technique. The shoalest depth close to the AWOIS position is a 2.8-fathom sounding located at position number 5003/3, latitude 56°59'49.65"N, longitude 132°58'53.68"W. This sounding is 129.11 meters southeast from the AWOIS location. However, as the hydrographer indicates, there are deeper depths in the range of 3.4 to 4.1 fathoms at the AWOIS location. The charted 2 3/4-fathom depth is considered disproven at the charted location. This complex area should be charted at the discretion of the compiler with soundings from this survey.

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#### 7. COMPARISON WITH CHART

Chart 17360, 26th Edition, dated August 18 1984; scale 1:217,828 Chart 17367, 9th Edition, dated April 21, 1979; scale 1:40,000

#### a. Hydrography

All hydrography on charts 17360 and 17367 originates with the prior surveys and requires no further discussion.

Survey H-10265 is adequate to supersede charted hydrography within the common area. Section 6 contains additional discussion regarding the supersession of hydrography inshore of the 3-fathom depth curve.

#### b. AWOIS

There are no AWOIS items originating from miscellaneous sources applicable to this survey.

#### c. Controlling Depths

There are no charted channels with controlling depths within the area of this survey.

#### d. Aids to Navigation

There are two fixed aids and two floating aids located within the area of this survey. These aids have been positioned during this survey. The new positions agree well with the charted positions and those shown in the DIPFILE. These fixed and floating aids serve their intended purpose.

The cable areas charted through the center of the survey area were not investigated and should remain as charted.

#### e. Geographic Names

Names appearing on the smooth sheet and in the survey title have been approved by the Chief Geographer.

#### f. Dangers to Navigation

The hydrographer sent a Danger to Navigation letter to the Seventeenth Coast Guard District on November 24, 1987. Five additional dangers were found during office processing and were reported to the Seventeenth Coast Guard District and DMA on July 27, 1988. Copies of these reports are attached.

#### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS

Survey H-10265 adequately complies with the Project Instructions mentioned in section 1 of the report.

#### 9. ADDITIONAL FIELD WORK

This is a adequate hydrographic survey. Additional field work is recommended on a low priority basis to develop the holiday mentioned in section 4.b of this report.

Gordon E. Kay Cartographer

This survey has been examined and it meets Charting and Geodetic Services' standards and requirements for use in nautical charting. Approval is recommended.

Dennis Hill

Chief, Hydrographic Section

#### **APPROVALS**

I have reviewed the smooth sheet, accompanying data, and reports associated with hydrographic survey H-10265. This survey meets or exceeds Charting and Geodetic Services' standards for products in support of nautical charting.

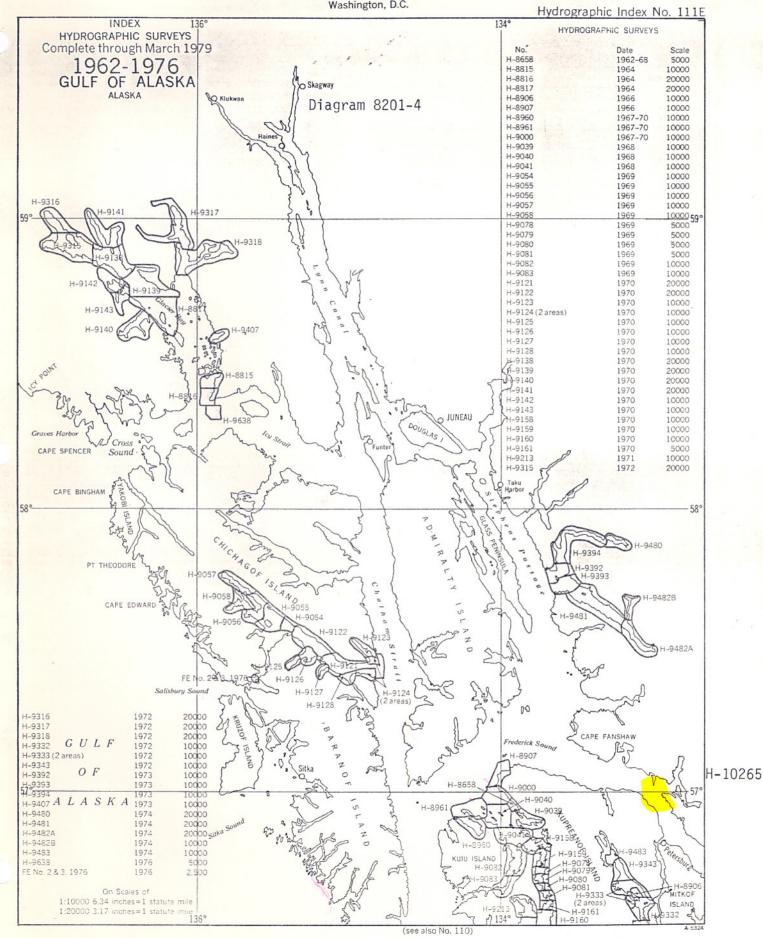
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After review of the smooth sheet and accompanying reports, I hereby certify this survey is accurate, complete, and meets appropriate standards.

> gmund Rietersen 3/27/89 Director, Pacific Marine Center (Date)

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Ocean Survey

Washington, D.C.



#### MARINE CHART BRANCH

### **RECORD OF APPLICATION TO CHARTS**

FILE WITH DESCRIPTIVE REPORT OF SURVEY NO.  $\underline{\text{H-}10265}$ 

#### INSTRUCTIONS

A basic hydrographic or topographic survey supersedes all information of like nature on the uncorrected chart.

- 1. Letter all information.
- 2. In "Remarks" column cross out words that do not apply.
- 3. Give reasons for deviations, if any, from recommendations made under "Comparison with Charts" in the Review.

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