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# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey Hydrographic

Field No. RA-20-4-93

Registry No. H-10507

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State Prince William Sound

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Unakwik Inlet

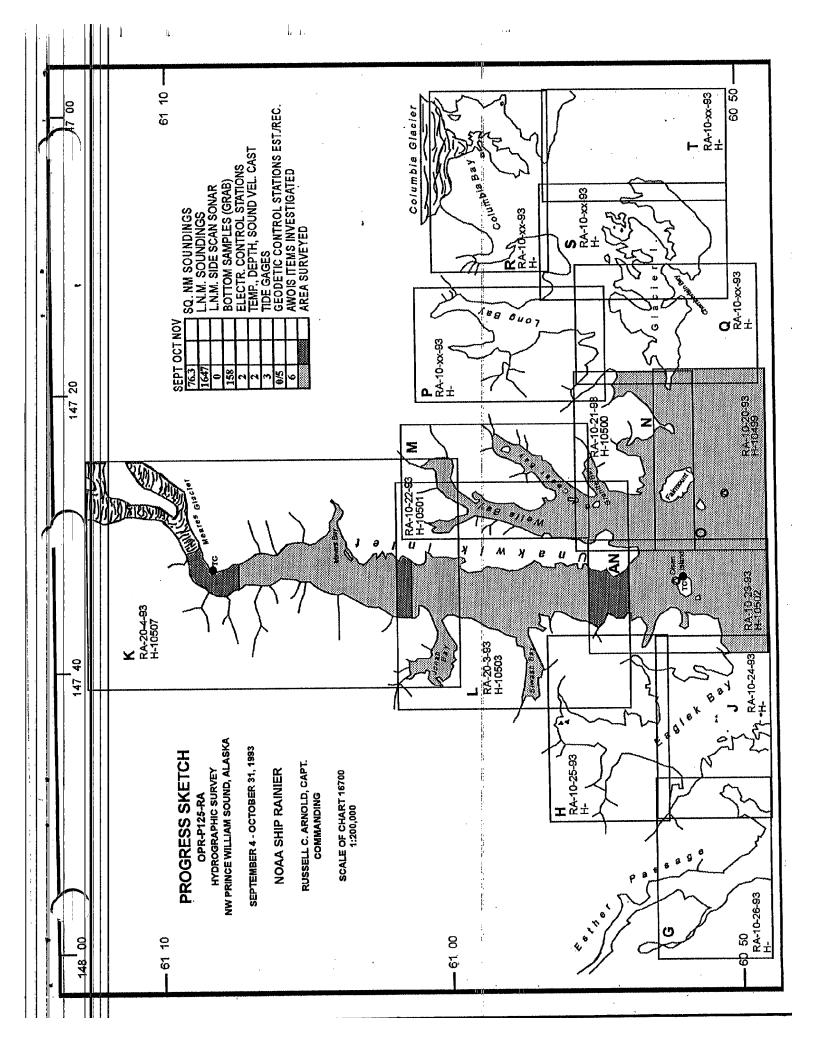
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#### Descriptive Report to Accompany Hydrographic Survey H-10507

Field Number RA-20-4-93 Scale 1:20,000 September - October 1993

NOAA Ship RAINIER
Chief of Party: Captain Russell C. Arnold NOAA

#### A. PROJECT

This basic hydrographic survey was completed in northwest Prince William Sound, Alaska, as specified by Project Instructions OPR-P125-RA dated July 19, 1993, change No. 1 dated August 25, 1993, and change No. 2 dated September 2, 1993.

Survey H-10507 corresponds to "Sheet K" as defined in the Project Instructions.

This survey will provide contemporary hydrographic survey data for updating existing nautical charts, and for constructing two new 1:100,000 scale metric charts covering the fiords and bays of northwest Prince William Sound. Requests for hydrographic surveys and updated charts have been received from the Defense Mapping Agency, Southwest Alaska Pilot's Association, cruise ship lines (particularly Holland America Line and Westours, Inc.), and local fishermen.

## B. AREA SURVEYED See Eval Rpt, Section 1

This survey area includes Unakwik Inlet, Meares Glacier, and Miners Bay. The survey limits are 147°28'30"W to the east, 147°36'05"W to the west, 61°09'10"N to the north, and 61°01'55"N to the south.

Data acquisition was conducted from September 26, Day Number (DN) 269, through October 7, DN 280.

#### C. SURVEY VESSELS

Data were acquired by the NOAA SHIP RAINIER and four survey launches as noted below:

Vessel	EDP No	<u>Operation</u>
RAINIER	2120	Sound Velocity Cast
RA-4	2124	Hydrography
RA-5	2125	Hydrography Shoreline Verification Bottom Samples
RA-6	2126	Hydrography Shoreline Verification

#### D. AUTOMATED DATA ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING

Data acquisition and processing were accomplished with the following HDAPS programs:

Program Name	<u>Version</u>	<u>Date Installed</u>
AUTOST	3.00	9/24/92
BACKUP	2.00	8/20/93
BASELINE	1.14	8/20/93
BIGABST	2.05	8/20/93
BLKEDIT	2.02	8/20/93
CARTO	2.09	8/20/93
CONVERT	3.54	: 8/20/93
DAS_SURV	6.42	8/20/93
DP _	2.14	8/20/93
EXCESS	4.11	8/20/93
FILESYS	3.10	8/20/93
GRAFEDIT	1.04	8/20/93
LSTAWOIS	3.04	8/20/93
LISTDATA	1.02	8/20/93
MAINMENU	1.10	8/20/93
MAN DATA	2.01	8/20/93
NEWPOST	6.01	8/20/93
PLOTALL	2.12	8/20/93
PRESURV	7.04	8/20/93
PRINTOUT	4.03	8/20/93
QUICK	2.04	8/20/93
RAMSAVER	1.02	8/20/93
REAPPLY	2.03	8/20/93
SYMBOLS	2.00	9/24/92
ZOOMEDIT	2.12	8/20/93

Velocity corrections were determined using:

Program Name	<u>Version</u>	<u>Date Installed</u>
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VELOCITY	2.0	24 Mar 1993

#### E. SONAR EQUIPMENT

Sonar equipment was not used on sheet K!

#### F. SOUNDING EQUIPMENT

DSF-6000N serial numbers are included on the headers of the daily Raw Master Printouts.

#### G. CORRECTIONS TO ECHO SOUNDINGS

Correctors for the velocity of sound through water were determined from the east listed below:

\* Filed with the hydrographic records.

Velocity <u>Table No.</u>	Cast <u>No.</u>	Deepest <u>Depth (m)</u>	Applicable DN	Cast <u>Position</u>	Day
2	2	531	269 - 280	60°52'58"N 147°30'10"W	267

The sound velocity cast was acquired with SBE SEACAT Profiler S/N 220. Cast 2 plots outside the survey limits.

Velocity correctors were computed using the PC program VELOCITY in accordance with Hydrographic Survey Guideline (HSG) #69. A printout of the Sound Velocity Corrector Tables used in the HDAPS Post Survey program is included in the "Separates to be Included with Survey Data, IV. Sounding Equipment Calibrations and Corrections". files with the survey data.

#### Static Draft

A transducer depth was determined for launches 2124, 2125 and 2126 on March 19, 1993 and is in the offset tables for each launch.

#### Settlement and Squat

Correctors were computed in accordance with Hydrographic Manual Section 4.9.4.2., using FPM Fig. 2.2 and 2.3, and are included with project data for OPR-P125-RA. The data used was collected in Shilshole Bay, Washington on March 11, 16, and 18 of 1992. Revised settlement and squat correctors were received from Pacific Marine Center on October 21, 1992. Authorization was obtained from N/CG241 to use the 1992 data. These revised correctors were applied to the data on sheet K.

#### Offset Tables \*

Vessel		Offset Table No.
2124		4
2125		5
2126	;	6

#### Heave

Data were not acquired during periods of significant sea action for sheet K.

#### Bar Check and Lead Lines

Bar check and lead lines were calibrated by RAINIER personnel on February 19, 1993 at PMC. Calibration forms are included with the project data for OPR-P125-RA.

#### **Tide Correctors**

The tidal reference station used for this survey was Cordova, Alaska (945-4050). Tidal correctors as provided in the project instructions for Sheet K are:

\* Filed with the hydrographic data.

Time Correction

High Water

Low Water

Height Correction
Range Ratio

0 hr 0 min

0 hr 0 min

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HDAPS listings of the data used in generating tide corrector tables are included in Appendix V of this report. \*

Tide gages were installed and maintained by RAINIER personnel at Storey Island, Alaska (945-4553), Unakwik Inlet, Alaska (954-4602), and Olsen Island, Alaska (945-4596). The control station was Valdez, Alaska (945-4240). Opening levels for the Valdez station were completed by the Pacific Operations Section. Requirements for closing levels were waived in Change No. 1 of the Project Instructions.

The station descriptions, field tide records, and Field Tide Notes will be forwarded to N/OES212 monthly in accordance with HSG 50 and FPM 4.3, and at the end of the project. Requests for approved tides will be forwarded to N/OES2. Approved Tide Note Set March 8, 1994 18 2 Haches.

H. CONTROL STATIONS See Eval Rot, Section &

A listing of the geodetic stations used to control this survey is included in Appendix III of this report.

Positions for all existing stations are from the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) data base. All existing stations were recovered in accordance with methods stated in Section 5.2.4 of the Field Procedures Manual. Further information can be found in the "Fall 1993 Horizontal Control Report for OPR-P125-RA."

#### I. HYDROGRAPHIC POSITION CONTROL

#### Method of Position Control

All soundings and features were positioned using differential GPS. Serial numbers for Ashtech GPS equipment are annotated on the data printouts.

#### Calibrations & Systems Check Methods

#### Ashtech GPS

VHF differential shore stations were established at stations QUOTE and INDIA. After the stations were established, a remote sensor was connected directly to the MXII shore station and its antenna was collocated with the shore station. The computed position was transmitted back to the ship via VHF radio modern link. The difference between the computed location and the station's published position was recorded by the MONITOR program on a PC. Data from a 24-hour period were recorded and examined for signs of multi-path signal reflection, which was not evident at either station.

System checks were performed by launch to launch comparisons of position. Three observations of position were made by each launch using correctors from two independent DGPS base stations. System checks were made every day and the results were transferred to forms which are included in the project data for OPR-P125. An abstract of the system checks is included in the "Separates to be Included with Survey Data, III. Horizontal Position Control and Corrections to Position Data".

\* Filed with the survey records.

#### **Problems**

The differential GPS stations on QUOTE and INDIA ran without problems for sheet K.

#### Offset

The launch GPS antenna offsets are stored in the HDAPS Offset Tables as listed in Section G. Copies of the Offset Tables are included in the "Separates to be Included with Survey Data, III. Horizontal Position Control and Corrections to Position Data." filed with the survey records

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# J. SHORELINE See Evel Rpt, Section 2

The shoreline maps (T-sheets) used to transfer shoreline detail to the final sheets were DM-10058 (1:10,000, NAD 83), DM-10059 (1:10,000, NAD 83), and DM-10060 (1:10,000, NAD 83).

Shoreline verification was conducted as near as possible to predicted lower low water in accordance with FPM 7.1, however tides were not ideal for shoreline verification during the survey period. RAINIER conducted shoreline verification at the lowest possible tides during this survey. Shoreline verification was accomplished by assigning sequential reference numbers and taking detached positions (DPs), as explained later in this section.

Inshore hydrography shows that photogrammetric and hydrographic positioning are in general agreement.

Shoreline and T-sheet features verified via visual inspection were assigned sequential reference numbers, described, and recorded in the field using reference forms and corresponding 1:10,000 photocopies of the T-sheet. Reference numbers, descriptions, and heights corrected to MLLW using predicted tides are recorded on the reference form. Corresponding notes were annotated on the photocopies of the T-sheet when deemed necessary. The annotated photocopies of the T-sheet and the reference forms are included with the survey data.

DPs taken during shoreline verification were recorded on the master printouts and on the DP forms. These indicate significant T-sheet features, features not found on the T-sheet, and locations of disprovals. Where possible, positions of some T-sheet features were verified during inshore mainscheme hydrography and annotated on the master printouts.

Detailed 1:10,000 "Rough Bottom Sample and Detached Position Plots" are provided showing all DPs, reference numbers, and notes relating to each feature. The information from these plots was transferred to a final field plot. Verified T-sheet features were retained and shown in black. Changes to the shoreline were shown in red. Field cartographic codes were assigned using the HDAPS DP editor. Heights are recorded in meters and are corrected to predicted MLLW. Now is less have been shown in ted the smooth sheet of the shown on the smooth sheet Disprovals.

None.

#### Changes

T-sheet photographs were apparently taken at a high stage of tide and many minor near shore changes were made. Changes to the T-sheet are noted on the final field plot.

\* Filed with hydrographic records.

#### K. CROSSLINES

Crosslines are in good agreement with mainscheme hydrography. Crosslines totaled 8.22 nautical miles, representing 7.1% of the total mainscheme hydrography.

# L. JUNCTIONS SEE EVALUATION Report section 6

This survey junctions with survey H-10503 (1:20,000,1993) to the south. No irregularities were found when comparing soundings and depth curves. Final comparisons will be made at the Pacific Hydrographic Section (PHS).

#### M. COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS

There were no prior surveys for sheet K.

#### N. ITEM INVESTIGATIONS

None.

# O. COMPARISON WITH THE CHART SEE EVALUATION Report section 7

This survey was compared to NOS chart 16700, 24th Edition, January 11, 1992, 1:200,000 (NAD83).

The charted soundings were found to be in general agreement with the survey. Final comparisons will be made at PHS.

#### **Dangers to Navigation**

There were no dangers to navigation noted for this survey.

#### P. ADEQUACY OF SURVEY

This survey is complete and adequate to supersede previous chart letters in their common areas. Concur

#### Q. AIDS TO NAVIGATION

None.

#### R. STATISTICS

**Bottom Samples** 

Vessel:	<u>2124</u>	<u>2125</u>	<u>2126</u>	<u>Total</u>
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Detached Position	19			:
Tide Stations	3			, P
Reference Numbers	34			+ 1 - 1

#### S. MISCELLANEOUS

Bottom samples were sent to the Smithsonian Institution in accordance with the Project Instructions.

The Coast Pilot current and predicted current comparisons were made in accordance with the Project Instructions. The current predictions were adequate and the descriptions accurate.

#### T. RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

#### U. REFERRAL TO REPORTS

The following supplemental reports contain additional information relevant to this survey:

<u>Title</u>	Date Sent	Office
Fall 1993 Horizontal Control Report for OPR-P125-RA	1993	N/CG2333
Fall 1993 Coast Pilot Report for OPR-P125-RA	1993	N/CG245
Project related data for OPR-P125-RA	Incremental	N/CG245

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven A. Lemke

Lieutenant (jg), NOAA

Approved and Forwarded,

Hand, 7 18.

Russell C. Arnold Captain, NOAA

Commanding Officer

#### APPROVAL SHEET

for

H-10507 RA-20-4-93

Standard procedures were followed in accordance with the Hydrographic Manual, Fourth Edition; the Hydrographic Survey Guidelines; and the Field Procedures Manual 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.

Russell C. Arnold Captain, NOAA Commanding Officer

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#### TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

DATE: March 8, 1994

ORIGINAL

MARINE CENTER: Pacific

HYDROGRAPHIC PROJECT: OPR-P125-RA

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET: H-10507

LOCALITY: Northern Portion of Unakwik Inlet, Prince William Sound,

Alaska

TIME PERIOD: September 26 - October 7, 1993

TIDE STATION USED: 945-4602 North Unakwik Inlet, Unakwik Inlet,

Ak.

Lat. 61<sup>0</sup> 08.2'N

Lon. 147<sup>0</sup> 32.5′W

PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): -4.83 ft.

HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 10.9 ft.

REMARKS: RECOMMENDED ZONING

Times and heights are direct on North Unakwik Inlet, Ak. (945-4602).

Notes: 1. Times are tabulated in Greenwich Mean Time.

2. Data for North Unakwik Inlet, Ak. (945-4602) is temporarily stored in file #556-4602.

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#### EVALUATION REPORT SURVEY H-10507

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Survey H-10507 is a basic hydrographic survey accomplished by the NOAA Ship *Rainier*, under the following Project Instructions.

OPR-P125 RA, dated July 19, 1993 CHANGE NO. 1, dated August 25, 1993 CHANGE NO. 2, dated November 5, 1993

This survey was conducted in Alaska situated in the northern portion of Prince William Sound. The survey area covers the northern portion of Unakwik Inlet to include Miners Bay. The surveyed area is bounded by latitude 61/01/48N to the south and extends northward to the face of Meares Glacier. The shoreline is rocky and steep consisting of numerous isolated rocks, ledges and small islands. Rocky pinnacles that rise up very near the surface were found throughout the inlet. The bottom characteristic is mud. Depths range from less than a meter along the shoreline to a depth of 275 meters, located west of Miners Bay in Unakwik Inlet.

Depth curves depicted on the smooth sheet were selected from those authorized through HSG 69. However, instead of drafting all authorized curves only those curves considered necessary for the reasonable portrayal of the bottom were drafted. The selected curves were the 0, 20 and 180 meter. A note was added to the smooth sheet to identify these values. A few supplemental depth curves have been added to the smooth sheet in brown as warranted. The bottom characteristics are annotated on a separate overlay.

Predicted tides for Cordova, Alaska, were used for the reduction of soundings during field processing. Approved hourly heights are zoned from North Unakwik Inlet, Unakwik Inlet, Alaska, gage 945-4602, 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. NAD 83 is used as the horizontal datum for plotting and position computation. Offset values and sound velocity correctors are adequate. An accompanying computer printout contains the parameters and the correctors.

A digital file has been generated for this survey that includes categories of information required to comply with Hydrographic Survey Guideline No. 52, Standard Digital Data Exchange Format, April 15, 1986. 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 a complete depiction of the survey data.

#### 2. CONTROL AND SHORELINE

Sections H and I of the hydrographer's report and the Fall 1993 Horizontal Control Report for OPR-P125-RA, contains adequate discussions of horizontal control and hydrographic positioning.

Differential GPS (DGPS) was used to control this survey. A horizontal dilution of precision (HDOP) not to exceed 3.75 was computed for survey operations. The quality of 89 positions exceeds limits in terms of horizontal dilution of precision (HDOP). These positions are isolated and occur randomly throughout the survey area. A review of the data, however, indicates that none of these fixes are used to position dangers to navigation. The soundings located by these fixes are consistent with the surrounding information. These fixes are considered acceptable.

Positions of horizontal control stations used during this survey are published values based on NAD 83.

The smooth sheet is annotated with an NAD 27 adjustment tick based on values determined with the NGS program NADCON. Geographic positions based on NAD 27 may be plotted on the smooth sheet utilizing the NAD 83 projection by applying the following corrections.

Latitude: -1.911 seconds (-59.161 meters) Longitude: 7.447 seconds (111.582 meters)

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

The following digital shoreline maps were compiled on NAD 83, enlarged to the scale of 1:10,000 and apply to this survey.

Map Number	Photography date	<u>Scale</u>
DM-10058	July 1989	1:20,000
DM-10059	July 1989	1:20,000
DM-10060	July 1989	1:20,000

There is a dashed red ink line, depicting an approximate shoreline change on the smooth sheet at latitude 61/07/10N, longitude 147/33/38W. This change has no supporting positional information. This revision is considered adequate to supplement the common photogrammetrically delineated shoreline.

#### 3. HYDROGRAPHY

Except for the following, 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.

Authorized depth curves were adequately drawn and developed except the zero curve. The inshore limit as defined by the Project Instructions (section 1.8), is the 3-meter depth curve in steeply sloping areas.

#### 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 Field Procedures Manual, March 1993 Edition.

During the course of his survey the hydrographer failed to investigate and dispose of three charted rocks. An investigation is required in accordance with the <u>Field Procedures</u> <u>Manual</u>, Figure 6.3, Section O, paragraph 4a, page 6-35. Which states, "Those charted features not found during the present survey shall be listed, the investigation described, and recommendation for charting given." Refer to section 7a and 9 of this report for disposition.

#### 5. JUNCTIONS

Survey H-10507 junctions with the following surveys.

Survey	<u>Year</u>	<u>Scale</u>	<u>Area</u>
H-10503	1993	1:20,000	South

The junction with survey H-10503 is complete.

#### 6. COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS

There are no prior surveys within the limits of survey H-10507.

#### 7. COMPARISON WITH CHART

Survey H-10507 was compared with the following chart.

<b>Chart</b>	<b>Edition</b>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Scale</u>	<b>Datum</b>
16700	24th	January 11, 1992	1:200.000	NAD 83

#### a. <u>Hydrography</u>

The charted hydrography on the above chart originates with reconnaissance surveys by the United States Geological Survey between 1973 to 1978, and miscellaneous sources.

Present survey soundings do not compare well with the charted soundings. Differences between 30 meters deeper on the present survey, to 30 meters shoaler can be found. These differences are attributed to the data acquisition, positioning techniques and the large scale difference in the charting source to the chart.

The following rocks were not investigated or specifically address during the course of this survey.

<u>Feature</u>	<u>Latitude North</u>	Longitude West	
* rock (awash)	61//06/36	147/33/12 - from	ouses recon survey,
submerged rock	61/02/57	147/32/00	1979
submerged rock	61/02/30	147/31/46	

2.2M subm. feature shown 150M to the SE, on H-10507

However, only the rock at latitude 61/06/36N, longitude 147/33/12W should be retained as charted. The two submerged rocks which originate from a miscellaneous source are likely used to describe, the rocky nature of the area. These areas are shown on DM-10060 as strewn with isolated rocks awash and islets and have been transferred to the smooth sheet.

With the exception of the above feature, survey H-10507 is adequate to supersede charted hydrography within the survey area. Refer to the smooth sheet for the final depiction of this survey area.

A study of prior survey data, in accordance with Hydrographic Survey Guideline No. 39, the effect of the 1964 Prince William Sound earthquake was not performed, because of the lack of prior survey data.

#### b. AWOIS

There are no AWOIS items located within the limits of survey H-10507.

#### c. Controlling Depths

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

#### d. Aids to Navigation

There are no aids to navigation located within the limits of this survey. There are no charted landmarks there are located within the limits of this survey.

#### 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 did not report any dangers to navigation. No dangers were found during office processing.

#### 8. COMPLIANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS

Survey H-10507 adequately complies with the Project Instructions.

#### 9. ADDITIONAL FIELD WORK

This is a fair hydrographic survey. Additional field work is required to investigated the charted rock as mentioned in section 7a.

Gordon E. Kay
Cartographer

#### APPROVAL SHEET H-10507

#### **Initial Approvals:**

The completed survey has been inspected with regard to survey coverage, delineation of the depth curves, development of critical depths, cartographic symbolization, comparison with prior surveys and verification or disproval of charted data. The digital data have been completed and all revisions and processings have been entered in the magnetic tape record for this survey. Final control, position, and sounding printouts have been made and are included with the survey records. The survey records and digital data comply with NOS requirements except where noted in the Evaluation Report.

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I have reviewed the smooth sounding plot, accompanying data, and reports. This survey and accompanying digital data meet or exceed NOS requirements and standards for products in support of nautical charting except where noted in the Evaluation Report.

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Commander, NOAA

Chief, Pacific Hydrographic Section

Final Approval

Approved:

Andrew A. Armstrong III

Captain, NOAA

Chief, Hydrographic Surveys Branch

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