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TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

DATE: September 11, 1997

HYDROGRAPHIC BRANCH: Pacific

HYDROGRAPHIC PROJECT: OPR-0328-RA

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET: H-10734

LOCALITY: Northern Stephens Passage, AK. (Sheets F & G)

TIME PERIOD: March 21 - April 21, 1997

TIDE STATION USED: 945-2249 Young Bay, AK.

Lat. $58^{\circ} 11.0' N$ Lon. $134^{\circ} 35.2' W$

PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): 0.000 meters

HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 4.690 meters

REMARKS: RECOMMENDED ZONING


Use zone(s) identified as: SEA4A & SEA4B

Refer to attachments for zoning information.

Note 1: Provided time series data are tabulated in metric units (Meters), relative to MLLW and on Greenwich Mean Time.

Note 2:

Juneau, AK was used as control for datum determination for all subordinate tide stations for this survey. Relative sea level trends show that the areas of Juneau Alaska are undergoing continual uplift. The relative sea level trend observed at Juneau for the time period 1950 through 1993 is -0.0114 m/yr. with a standard error of 0.0005 m/yr. As a result of high rate of sea level change, the 1960 to 1978 Tidal Epoch value of Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) used as chart datum and reference datum for NOS tidal predictions does not reflect present conditions. The data are under review to determine an updated value of MLLW. An interim value was computed for Juneau, based on the series of data from 1989 to 1991 and controlled by the 1960-1978 Epoch datums at Ketchikan which is more stable. The provided values adjust the chart datum to a more realistic level and in a direction that is more conservative for navigation purposes.



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