H10775

NOAA FORM 76-35A

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

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey	
	LOCALITY
State	Laska
	thwest Prince William Sound
-	oss Passage to Kings Bay
-	
	1997
	HIEF OF PARTY . Anderson, NOAA
LIBRA	ARY & ARCHIVES

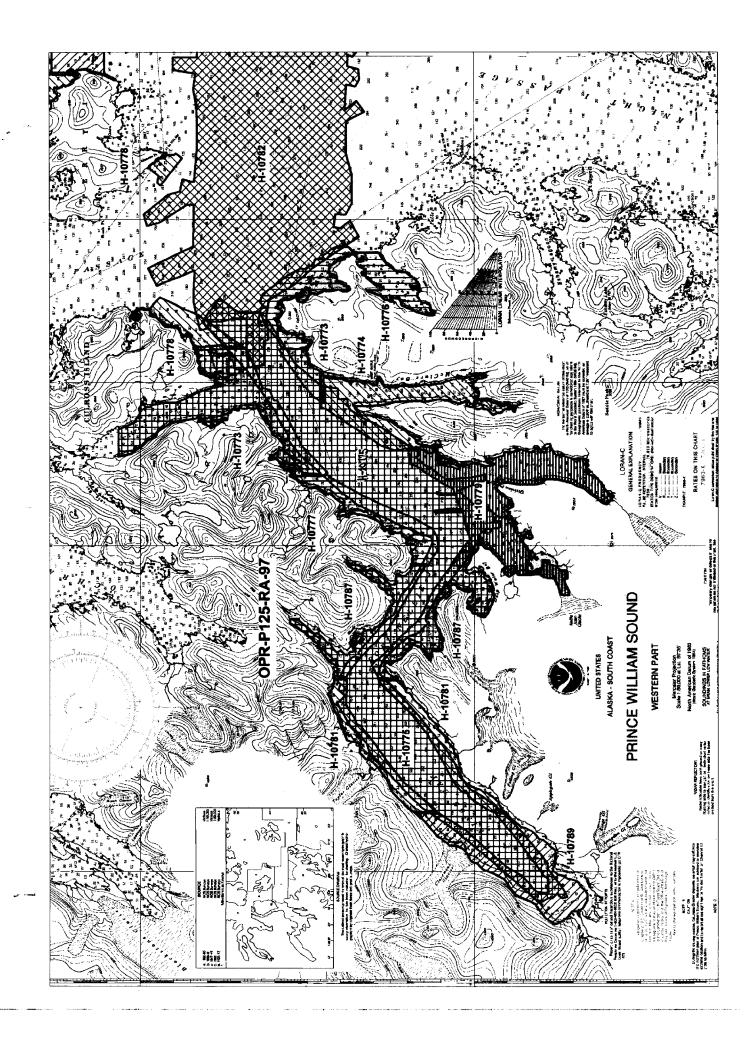
NOAA	F	ORM	77-	28
/11-72	٠,			

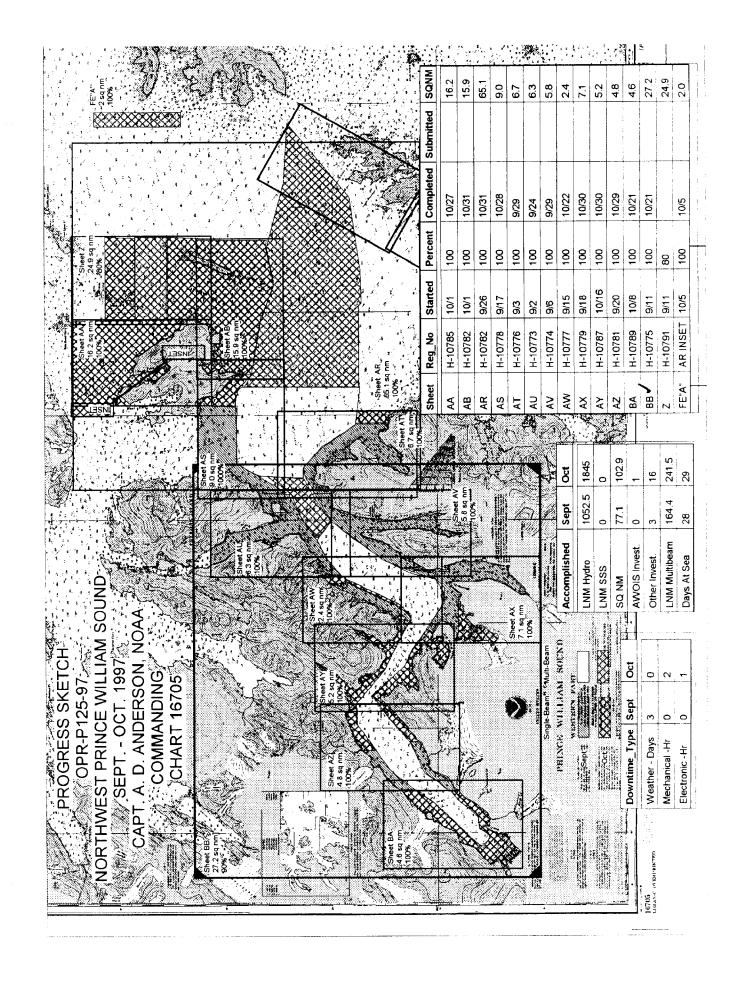
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE REGISTER NO. NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

H-10775

	Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.	FIELD NO. RA-40-3-97			
State	Alaska				
General locality	Northwest Prince William Sound				
Locality	Culross Passage to Kings Bay				
<u>-</u>	1:40,000 Date of sur	Sept. 11 to Oct 19, 1997			
	8/27/97, Change #1 10/1/97 Project No				
Vessel	NOAA CLI- DAINTED				
Chief of party	CAPT Alan D. Anderson, NOAA				
Surveyed by	NOAA Ship RAINIER Personnel				
Soundings taken by	echo sounder, ************************************	chart II (IDSS) <u>Multibeam</u>			
	ed byRAINIER Personnel				
Graphic record check Evaluation by:					
148 4848 847	Autom	-			
Verification by	M. Bigelow, D. Doles, E. Domingo, H	R. Mayor, G. Nelson			
Soundings in fath	homs Keek at XMEWX MLLW and tenths				
REMARKS:	All times are UTC, revisions and ma	arginal notes in black were			
	generated during office processing	. All separates are filed			
	with the hydrographic data, as a re	esult page numbering may be			
interrupted or non-sequential.					
All depths listed in this report are referenced to mean lower					
low water unless otherwise noted.					
		Awors/SMRF 1/26/99			





Descriptive Report to Accompany Hydrographic Survey H-10775

Field Number RA-40-03-97 Scale 1:40,000 September-October 1997 NOAA Ship RAINIER

Chief of Party: Captain Alan D. Anderson, NOAA

A. PROJECT V

This basic hydrographic survey was completed in Northwest Prince William Sound as specified by Project Instructions OPR-P125-RA dated August 27, 1997 and Change Number 1 dated September 24, 1997. Survey H-10775 corresponds to sheet BB as defined in the sheet layout. Requests for hydrographic surveys and updated charts in this area have been received from the Defense Mapping Agency, the U.S. Coast Guard, the Southwest Alaska Pilot's Association, cruise ship lines, and local fishermen.

B. AREA SURVEYED V See Eval Report, Section B

The survey area is Port Nellie Juan between Culross Pass and Kings Bay. The survey's eastern limit is longitude 1400 05' 46"W at the entrance to Port Nellie Juan. The remaining limits are defined by the area of safe ship navigation within Port Nellie Juan, approximately one half mile from the shoreline. Data acquisition was conducted from September 11 to October 19, 1997 (DN 254-292).

C. SURVEY VESSELS

The RAINIER (vessel number 2120) was the only vessel to acquire swath data, sound velocity casts, and bottom samples for this survey. No unusual vessel configurations or problems exist for this survey.

D. AUTOMATED DATA ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING \checkmark

Data were acquired and processed using the Intermediate Depth Swath Survey System (IDSSS). A complete listing of all programs used to acquire and process data is included in Appendix VI. The final field sheet was generated using combined offline processed (VAXCOP-minimum only) soundings processed on a 200 meter grid and exported to a personal computer running MapInfo (Version 4.1) and MapBasic software developed by N/CS32 and modified by Rainier personnel. Final field sheet contours are based on a 40-meter grid cell size surface representative of the soundings in the VAXCOP data set.

E. SONAR EQUIPMENT 🗸

No side scan sonar operations were conducted on this survey. Multibears sonar system was

F. SOUNDING EQUIPMENT

The IDSSS configuration consisted of a data acquisition system (DAS) comprised of a Digital Equipment Corporation's (DEC) VAX Station 4000-90 computer system interfaced with a Seabeam Instruments Inc. Hydrochart II sonar system, Datawell heave-roll-pitch sensor (HIPPY), Sperry gyrocompass, a Trimble P-code GPS system. Hydrochart II is a multibeam sonar system that uses two 36 kHz transducer arrays of 9 beams each, to produce an athwartship swath of bathymetric data approximately 2.5 times the water depth.

* Filed with the hydrographic date

The DEC VAX Station 4000-90 computer collected input from the Hydrochart II, HIPPY, gyrocompass, and the navigation system. Guidance was also provided to the helmsman and a near real time contour map was plotted. The DEC VAX Station 4000-90 computer was used to process the data and create corrected merge files, selected sounding files, and processing sheets. The DAS consisted of the following equipment:

DAS EQUIPMENT

Hydrochart II Sonar System
DEC Server DSRVW-7C
DEC VAX Station 4000-90 (DAS)
TTi 8212 Tape Drive
Sperry MK 227 Gyrocompass
DATAWELL Hippy
ZETA 24" Plotter
DEC monitor

G. CORRECTIONS TO ECHO SOUNDINGS

Three sound velocity casts were acquired within the survey limits as shown in the appended Survey Information Summary report. The sound velocity casts were acquired with SBE SEACAT Profiler (S/N 219), calibrated December 15, 1996. Velocity correctors were computed using the PC programs SEACAT and VELOCITY, version 3.3 (1997), in accordance with Field Procedures Manual (FPM) section 2.4.3. Printouts of the sound velocity profile, data, and correctors used in field processing are included in the "Separates to be Included with Survey Data, IV. Sounding Equipment Calibrations and Corrections".

The static draft and offsets for RAINIER, 2120, were collected in 1995. Settlement and squat correctors were computed in accordance with Hydrographic Manual Section 4.9.4.2, using FPM Fig. 2.3. Correctors are included with project data for OPR-P125-RA-97. The GPS antenna offset tables are included with project data for OPR-P125-RA-97.

Predicted tides for the project were provided for the Cordova, Alaska reference station (945-4050) in an IDSSS compatible format from ONCO, Software Engineering Branch. IDSSS listings of the data used in generating tidal correctors are included in Appendix V of this report. Tidal correctors as provided in the project instructions for H-10775 are shown on the appended Survey Information Summary report

Valdez, Alaska (945-4240) and Cordova, Alaska (945-4050) are the primary control stations for datum determination at all subordinate stations. RAINIER personnel installed Sutron 8200 tide gages at Applegate Island (945-4794) on September 1, Blue Fiord on September 5, and Kings Bay on September 10, 1997.

Refer to the Field Tide Notes and supporting data in Appendix V for individual gage performance and level closure information. This information has been forwarded to N/OES212 in accordance with HSG 50 and FPM 4.3. A request for approved tides was forwarded to N/OES23 in accordance with FPM 4.2.3 on November 3, 1997. Approved fide note dated February 5,1118 is affacted.

H. CONTROL STATIONS See Eval Report, Section H.

The horizontal datum for this project is NAD 83. Station ROCK, recovered in 1996 and checked using program MONITOR in 1997, was used to verify and establish local geodetic control for this survey. See the OPR-P125-RA-97 Horizontal Control Report for more information. **Copy attached to this report.

* Filed with the hydrographic data,

I. HYDROGRAPHIC POSITION CONTROL V See End Rpt, Section I.

All soundings were positioned using differential GPS. Primary hydrographic control was based on the USCG beacons located at the Kenai Peninsula and Cape Hinchinbrook. Stations on Kodiak Island and Potato Point were also received in this area. VHF differential reference stations ROCK and DON were installed by RAINIER personnel and available as supplemental control.

RAINIER used program SHIPDIM, version 2.2R (April 1996) with a Trimble Centurion P-code receiver and an Ashtech sensor (both differentially-corrected) to monitor the performance of the USCG Beacons while at anchor. Periodic comparisons and occasional performance checks were logged with the SHIPDIM system. Some outliers were noted, but none indicated systematic or continuous errors in the beacons. The SHIPDIM OUTLIER.SUM results are included in the project data for OPR-P125-RA-97.

J. SHORELINE - See Eval Rot, Section J.

The shoreline manuscript from Coastal Mapping survey CM-92012 was supplied by N/CS341 in Standard Digital Data Exchange Format (SDDEF). The digital files from DM-10188, DM-10192, DM-10193, and DM-10194 were projected to the survey grid with OPR-P125-RA-97 geodetic parameters using program Shore version 2.0, provided by N/CS32, and plotted on the final field sheet using MapInfo for orientation only. Shoreline verification was not conducted for this survey. *Concur*

K. CROSSLINES V

Crosslines agreed within 4 meters with mainscheme hydrography, except in areas of steep bathymetry. There were a total of 16.8 nautical miles of crosslines, comprising 14.8% of mainscheme hydrography.

L. JUNCTIONS See Eval Report, Section L.

Survey H-10775 junctions with the following 1:10,000 scale 1997 single-beam surveys:

Survey	Junction Edge
H-10789	West
H-10781	North & South
H-10787	North & South
H-10779	South
H-10777	North
H-10778	East
H-10776	East
H-10773	North
H-10774	South

H-10782 (MultiDam) East

Comparisons to the contemporary surveys showed generally good agreement with the exception of surveys H-10774, H-10781, H-10787, and H-10789 in areas of 150-250 fathoms on steep slopes. In these areas of steep slopes, comparisons to single beam data from lines run in an offshore direction showed differences of between 12-14 meters in the southern portion of survey H-10787 and the northeast portion of H-10789. Comparisons with survey lines run in an offshore direction in the northern section of survey H-10781 resulted in differences between 20-60 meters. In all cases IDSSS soundings were deeper. In areas with deep, flat bottoms, comparisons were good. A review of the data used for comparisons, as well as the systems used to collect that data, revealed no definitive cause for the differences of this magnitude. It is noted that the differences occur in areas with very steep slopes, deep water, and potential localized water column anomalies. Under these conditions inherent differences in measurement systems such as beam width, frequency, power output, receiver sensitivity, bottom tracking function and timing latency are

Christian With

RA-40-03-97 Page 3

exaggerated. Agreement between this survey and five of the junction surveys, agreement with all junctions in flat bathymetry, and agreement within individual IDSSS swaths, adjacent IDSSS swaths, and crosslines support the confidence established in the accuracy of this survey. Loncur

Final comparisons will be made at the Pacific Hydrographic Branch (PHB) after reduction to final vertical datum. Concur

M. COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS \ See Eval Report, Section M.

The following prior surveys cover this survey:

Survey	Scale	Date
H-7794	1:40,000	1948
H-3973	1:20,000	1917
H-8606	1:10,000	1961
H-8491	1:10,000	1959

1:40,000 1913 H-3570

Three 1961 1:10,000 prior surveys H-8594, H-8594, and H-8595 were inshore and did not overlap this survey. Prior soundings from H-7794, H-8491, and H-3973 were in fair agreement with the present survey. Soundings from the IDSSS survey were found to be generally shoaler than these priors. Comparison of the present survey to prior survey H-8606 revealed areas in the deeper, flatter portions of the survey where common deeper, Mindings were found to be shealer. In the opinion of the Hydrographer, comparisons with H-8606 could be attributed to 1) the penetration of the lower frequency IDSSS into accumulations of glacial silt, 2) subsidence resulting from the 1964 earthquake, or 3) the transport of the silt accumulations out of Port Nellie Juan. Final comparisons will be done at PHB after reduction to final sounding datum using tidal information collected concurrently with this survey. Concur with chartication

N. ITEM INVESTIGATIONS 🗸

None. Comus

O. COMPARISON WITH THE CHART V See Evol Report, Section O

Chart 16705, 15th Edition, September 1, 1990 is the largest scale chart covering the survey area. Comparison of soundings is described in Section M. Final sounding comparisons will be made at PHB after reduction to final vertical datum. Concur

Dangers to Navigation

No dangers to navigation were discovered during this survey. Concur

P. ADEQUACY OF SURVEY / See Eval Report, Section P.

Survey H-10775 is complete and adequate to supersede prior soundings and features in their common areas. Concur

Q. AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Point Nellie Juan Light is discussed in survey H-10776. Concur

R. STATISTICS

Refer to the Survey Information Summary attached to this report.

OPR-P125-RA H-10775 RA-40-03-97 Page 4

S. MISCELLANEOUS V

Bottom samples were collected and sent to the Smithsonian in accordance with Project Instructions. A strong current was noticed north of Point Coxcomb near West Finger Inlet. No unusual magnetic variations were found during this survey. Secchi disk observations were not performed.

T. RECOMMENDATIONS

None.

U. REFERRAL TO REPORTS 🗸

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

<u>Title</u>	Date Sent	Office
OPR-O328-RA Horizontal Control Report	November 1997	N/CS34
OPR-O328-RA 1997 Coast Pilot Report	December 1997	N/CS26
Project related data for OPR-O328-RA	Incremental	N/CS34
Secchi Disk Observations for OPR-O328-RA	January 1998	N/CS31

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven P. La Sossiere

Steven P. LaBossiere Lieutenant, NOAA Approved and Forwarded,

Alan D. Anderson Captain, NOAA

Commanding Officer

Survey Information Summary

Project

OPR-P125-97

Project Name Northwest Prince William Sound

Instructions Dated

8/27/97

Project Change Info:

Change # Dated

Sheet Letter

Registry Number

H-10775

Sheet Number

RA-40-3-97

Survey Title

Port Nellie Juan from Culross Passage to Kings Bay

Data Acquisition Dates

From 9/11/97

Τо 10/19/97

Vessel Usage Summary

VESNO	MS	SPLIT	DEV	XL	S/L	DP	BS	DIVE
2120	2			1			1	

Vessel Usage Summary

Launch	Ship	Cast	Max	Position	Applicable
Table #	Table #	DN	Depth		DN
		247	786	60/35/12	
	, ,			148/12/54	
		290	792	60/33/30	
				148/13/42	
				60/33/18	
1		292	785	148/13/18	

Tide Zone Information

Zone	Time	Height
#	Corr.	Corr.
PWS39	0	x0.95
PWS40	0	x0.96
PWS41	0	x0.97
PWS41A	0	x0.97
PWS42	0	x0.95
PWS43	0	x0.94

Tide Gauge Information

Tide Gage Name		Installed	Removed
Gauge #			
945-4794	Applegate Island	9/1/97	10/30/97
945-4818	Blue Fjord	9/5/97	10/30/97
945-4951	Kings Bay Inside	9/10/97	10/22/97

Statistics Summary

Туре	Total
BS	9
DEV	0
DP	0
MS	113.4
S/L	0
SPLIT	0
XL	16.8

Percent XL:	14.8
SQNM:	27.2

CONTROL STATIONS as of 9 Dec 1997

No	Type Latitude	Longitude	H	Cart	Freq	Vel Co	de MM/DD/YY	Station Name
1 2	060:14:18.000 060:27:20.117	146:38:48.000 148:39:54.333	0	0	0.0	0.0	94/06/96 19/01/97	CAPE HINCHINBROOK USCG BECON DON DGPS
4 3	060:03:23.000 060:39:17.513	146:41:48.000	0 18	0	0.0	0.0 0.0		POTATO POINT USCG BEACON ROCK

APPROVAL SHEET

For

H-10775

RA-40-03-97

Standard procedures were followed in accordance with the Hydrographic Manual, Fourth Edition; the Hydrographic Guidelines; and the 1994 version of 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.

Captain, NOAA

Commanding Officer



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE

TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

DATE: February 5, 1998

HYDROGRAPHIC BRANCH: Pacific

HYDROGRAPHIC PROJECT: OPR-P125-RA-97

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET: H-10775

LOCALITY: Northwest Prince William Sound, AK

TIME PERIOD: Sep 11 - Oct 19, 1997

TIDE STATION USED: 945-4691 Herring Point, Knight Island Passage Lat. 60° 28.5'N Lon. 147° 47.5'W

PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): 0.000 meters HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 3.326 meters

945-4729 Pt. Perry, Perry Island Lat. 60° 45.1'N Lon. 147° 57.8'W TIDE STATION USED: PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): 0.000 meters

HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 3.386 meters

TIDE STATION USED: 945-4794 Applegate Island
Lat. 60° 37.4'N Lon. 148° 09.9'W
PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): 0.000 meters Lon. 148° 09.9'W HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 3.385 meters

TIDE STATION USED:

945-4818 Blue Fjord Lat. 60° 29.5'N Lon. 148° 14.7'W PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): 0.000 meters HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 3.407 meters

TIDE STATION USED:

945-4951 Kings Bay Inside Lat. 60° 27.4'N Lon. 148° 39.9'W PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER): 0.000 meters HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 3.418 meters

REMARKS: RECOMMENDED ZONING

Use zone(s) identified as: PWS38, PWS39, PWS40, PWS41, PWS41A, PWS 42, PWS43 & PWS52

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: Use tide data from the appropriate station for each zone according to the order in which they are listed in the "Tidezone" corrector files. For example, tide station one (TS1) would be the first choice for an applicable zone followed by TS2, etc. when data are not available. All zones within a survey sheet may not have the same order of applicable tide stations.

CHIEF, OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS BRANCH

Final tide zone node point locations for OPR P125-RA-97, Sheet H-10775.

Longitude in decimal degrees (negative value denotes Format:

Longitude West),

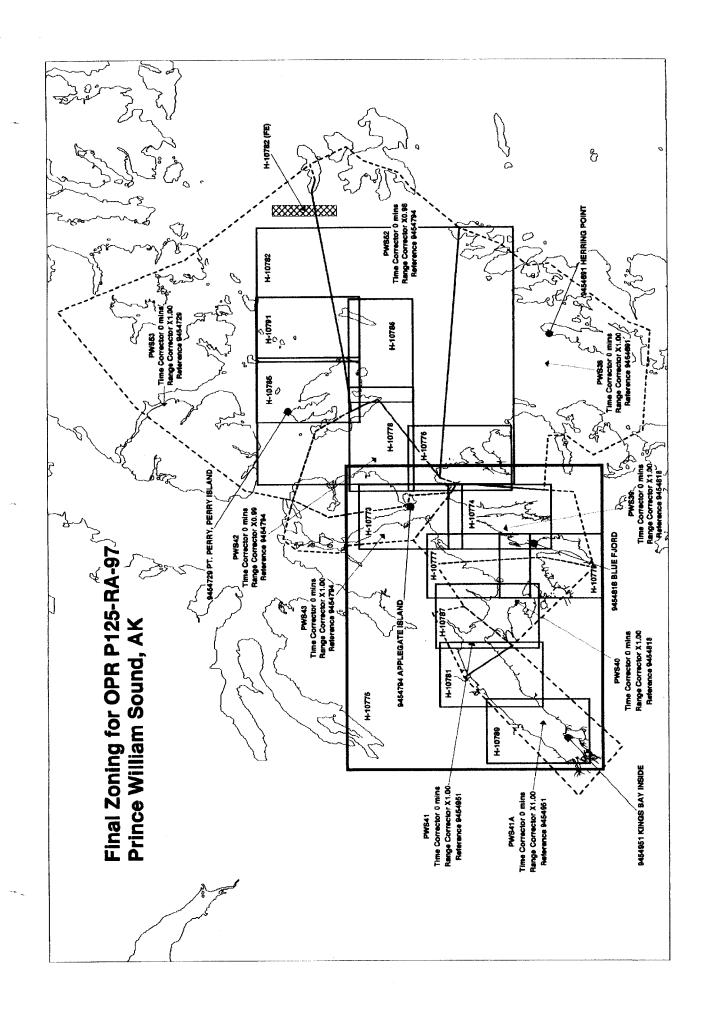
Latitude in decimal degrees

Tide Station (in recommended order of use)
Average Time Correction (in minutes)

Range Correction

	Tide Station	AVG Time	Range
	Order	Correction	Correction
Zone PWS38 -147.78401 60.368002 -147.766126 60.390181 -147.638164 60.475795 -147.643214 60.497618 -147.595271 60.527063 -147.560712 60.570642 -148.101183 60.592465 -148.114598 60.574838 -148.128786 60.481602 -148.012385 60.476742 -148.011446 60.457767 -148.054039 60.428791 -148.006895 60.382627 -148.00016 60.375912 -147.78401 60.368002	945-4691 945-4794 945-4729	0 0 0	1.00 0.98 0.99
Zone PWS39 -148.114598 60.574838 -148.135079 60.580714 -148.237563 60.621003 -148.288683 60.597501 -148.274604 60.483349 -148.296492 60.428791 -148.133173 60.449775 -148.114598 60.574838	945-4818	0	1.00
	945-4794	0	1.01
	945-4951	0	1.00
Zone PWS40 -148.288683 60.597501 -148.380845 60.567284 -148.466181 60.516083 -148.296492 60.428791 -148.274604 60.483349 -148.288683 60.597501	945-4818	0	1.00
	945-4951	0	1.00
	945-4794	0	1.01
Zone PWS41 -148.380845 60.567284 -148.394499 60.600858 -148.534449 60.567284	945-4951	0	1.00
	945-4818	0	1.00
	945-4794	0	1.01

-148.466181 60.516083 -148.380845 60.567284			
	945-4951	0	1.00
	945-4818	0	1.00
	945-4794	0	1.01
Zone PWS42 -148.101183 60.592465 -147.93198 60.657934 -147.957558 60.686216 -148.000248 60.724243 -148.149283 60.748856 -148.18628 60.710814 -148.158371 60.62628 -148.140411 60.624813 -148.135079 60.580714 -148.114598 60.574838 -148.101183 60.592465	945-4794	0	0.99
	945-4729	0	1.00
	945-4691	0	1.01
Zone PWS43 -148.135079 60.580714 -148.140411 60.624813 -148.158371 60.62628 -148.164093 60.631914 -148.18628 60.710814 -148.149283 60.748856 -148.234314 60.759316 -148.241973 60.755184 -148.259058 60.743334 -148.259058 60.700742 -148.247722 60.68983 -148.237563 60.621003 -148.135079 60.580714	945-4794	0	1.00
	945-4818	0	0.99
	945-4729	0	1.00
Zone PWS52 -147.93198 60.657934 -147.957558 60.686216 -147.848006 60.693887 -147.48158 60.72734 -147.456957 60.723688 -147.422995 60.72893 -147.385582 60.690765 -147.416199 60.672546 -147.441099 60.63539 -147.474131 60.622033 -147.560712 60.570642 -148.101183 60.592465 -147.93198 60.657934	945-4794	0	0.98
	945-4729	0	0.99
	945-4691	0	1.00



NOAA FORM 76-155 (11-72)	NATIONAL O	CEANIC		EPARTME IOSPHERIO		OMMERCE TRATION	SU	RVEY NU	MBER	
GE	OGRAPH							H-1077	5	
Name on Survey	A ox	or de la	AU. Ou	U.S. MAPS	ANGLE ON CORNATI	or Local L	PS GUIDE C	MENALL MENALL MYLAS	s. Light Lif	, , /
ALASKA (title)	х		Х		_					1
APPLEGATE ISLAND	х		X							2
BLUE FIORD	Х		X							3
COXCOMB POINT	Х		Х					·		4
CULROSS ISLAND	Х		х					:		5
CULROSS PASSAGE	X		X							6
DEEP WATER BAY	X		Х							7
DERICKSON BAY	X		X							8
DIVISION POINT	χ		х							9
EAST FINGER INLET	Х		X							10
GREYSTONE BAY	Х		х							11
KINGS BAY	Х		Х							12
KINGS POINT	χ		х							13
McCLURE BAY	χ		X							14
MINK ISLAND	X		X							15
PORT NELLIE JUAN	Х		Х							16
PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND (title)	Х		х							17
SHADY COVE	Х		Х					:		18
WEST FINGER INLET	Х		X							19
					The same		4 117	in ani AiXI	1	20
									X	21
				,	\sum_{i}	*********	0	me		22
					Chief	Geogra	just	44.6	Survey	23
							JUN	9	998	24
										25

NOAA FORM 76-155 SUPERSEDES C&GS 197

NOAA FORM 77-				U.S. DEPARTME	NT OF COMMERCE	REGISTRY NUMBER	3
(9-83)			IIC CLIDVE	STATISTICS		н-10775	
SECOBDS AC	COMPANYING SU				L	11 10775	
	D DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT		RECORD DESCRIPT	ION	AMOUNT
	SMOOTH SHEET 1 SMOOTH C				/ERLAYS: POS., ARC		NA
DESCRIPTIVE			1		TS AND OTHER OVE		NA NA
DESCRIP- TION	DEPTH/POS RECORDS		RIZ. CONT. ECORDS	SONAR- GRAMS	PRINTOUTS	ABSTRACTS/ SOURCE DOCUMENTS	
ACCORDION FILES							
ENVELOPES							
VOLUMES							
CAHIERS							
	PS (List): ETRIC MAPS (List): HYDROGRAPHER (List): ORTS (List):	NA NA NA	5 17th Ed.	0192, DM-1019 , 9/27/97			
		The fol			artographer's report on the su	ırvey	
	PROCES	SING A	ACTIVITY			AMOUNTS	
					VERIFICATION	EVALUATION	TOTALS
POSITIONS ON SH					<i>(////////////////////////////////////</i>		
SOUNDINGS REVI							
CONTROL STATIC							
					VERIFICATION	TIME-HOURS EVALUATION	TOTALS
PRE-PROCESSING	G EXAMINATION						
VERIFICATION OF	CONTROL						
VERIFICATION OF	POSITIONS						
VERIFICATION OF	SOUNDINGS						
VERIFICATION OF	JUNCTIONS						
APPLICATION OF	PHOTOBATHYMETRY						
SHORELINE APPL	ICATION/VERIFICATION	ı					
COMPILATION OF	SMOOTH SHEET				177		177
COMPARISON WI	TH PRIOR SURVEYS AN	D CHAR	TS			77.5	77.5
EVALUATION OF	SIDE SCAN SONAR REC	CORDS					
EVALUATION OF	WIRE DRAGS AND SWE	EPS					
EVALUATION REF	PORT				<u> </u>	39	39
GEOGRAPHIC NA	MES						
OTHER (Chart Compila	tion')		1	126	126

TOTALS

177

Beginning Date 3/5/98

Time (Hours) 177

Time (Hours)

Time (Hours) 242.5

Time (Hours)

242.5

Ending Date 3/5/98

Ending Date 10/18/98

Ending Date 11/24/98

Ending Date 10/27/98 Ending Date 12/14/98

419.5

*USE OTHER SIDE OF FORM FOR REMARKS

Verification Check by B. 01mstead

Evaluation and Analysis by L. Deodato

B. Olmstead

Pre-processing Examination by Pacific Hydrographic Branch

Verification of Field Data by
M.Bigelow, D.Doles, E.Domingo, R.Mayor, G.Nelson

EVALUATION REPORT

H-10775

A. PROJECT

The hydrographer's report contains a complete discussion of the project information.

B. AREA SURVEYED

The survey area is adequately discussed in the hydrographer's report. A page-size plot of the charted area depicting the limits of supersession accompany this report as Attachment A.

The bottom consists mainly of mud and gravel. Depths range from 35 to 345 fathoms.

C. SURVEY VESSELS

The hydrographer's report contains adequate information relating to survey vessels.

D. AUTOMATED DATA ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING

Hydrochart II (Seabeam, Inc.) Intermediate Depth Swath Survey System (IDSSS) was used by the field for acquisition and some processing of swath data. The bulk of field processing was accomplished using the Mutibeam Support Vax system. Office processing was accomplished using Hydrographic Processing System (HPS) and MicroStation 95.

Processed digital data for this survey exists in the standard HPS format, a database format using the .dbf extension. will In addition, the smooth sheet drawing is filed in the MicroStation format, i.e.,dgn extension. Copies of these files have been forwarded to the Hydrographic Surveys Division and a backup copy retained at PHB. Database records forwarded are in the Internal Data Format(IDF) and are in compliance with specifications in existence at the time of survey processing.

The drawing files necessarily contain information that is not part of the HPS data set such as geographic names text, line-type data, and minor symbolization. In addition, those soundings deleted from the drawing for clarity purposes remain unrevised in the HPS digital files to preserve the integrity of the original hydrographic data set. Cartographic codes used to describe the digital data are those authorized by Hydrographic Survey Guideline No. 35 and No. 75.

The data are plotted using a Modified Transverse Mercator projection and are depicted on a single sheet.

E. SONAR EQUIPMENT

Sonar equipment has been adequately addressed in the hydrographer's report.

F. SOUNDING EQUIPMENT

Sounding equipment has been adequately addressed in the hydrographer's report.

G. CORRECTIONS TO SOUNDINGS

Soundings below Mean High Water have been reduced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW). The reducers include corrections for an actual tide, dynamic draft, and sound velocity. These reducers have been reviewed and are consistent with NOS specifications.

Predicted tides were used for reduction of soundings during field processing. During office processing, tide reductions were derived from approved hourly heights zoned direct from the following tide gauges: Herring Point, Knight Island Passage, AK, 945-4691, Applegate Island, AK, 945-4794, Blue Fjord, AK, 945-4818, and Kings Bay Inside, AK, 945-4951. Pt. Perry, Perry Island, AK, 945-4729 was listed on the approved tide note but not used for sounding reduction.

H. CONTROL STATIONS

Section H and I of the hydrographer's report contain adequate discussions of horizontal control and hydrographic positioning.

The positions of horizontal control stations used during hydrographic operations are field values based on NAD 83. The geographic positions of all survey data are 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 NAD27 may be plotted on the smooth sheet utilizing the NAD 83 projection by applying the following corrections.

Latitude: -2.127 seconds (-65.816 meters) Longitude: 7.499 seconds (114.413 meters)

I. HYDROGRAPHIC POSITION CONTROL

Differential GPS (DGPS) was used to control this survey. In the event that the differential GPS corrector signal is lost, a switch to P-Code is made automatically by the Trimble receiver. Although P-Code accuracy is less than DGPS, at 0.5mm or better, it is adequate for survey operations at 1:40,000 scale. The satellite configuration, as indicated by HDOP and number of satellites, is monitored visually on the IDSSS and Trimble displays, and data are not collected when HDOP exceeds 15. DGPS performance checks were conducted in the field and found adequate.

NAD 83 is used as the horizontal datum for plotting and position computations.

Additional information concerning calibrations and system checks can be found in the hydrographer's report and in the separates related to horizontal position control and corrections to position data.

J. SHORELINE

Shoreline maps DM 10188, DM 10192, DM 10193, and DM 10194, scale 1:20,000, were compiled on NAD83 and apply to this survey. Shoreline drawn in black on the smooth sheet originates from the above digital manuscripts as provided in digital format by the Coastal Mapping Program. The digitized files and the survey file were merged during MicroStation processing.

There were no Mean High Water Line revisions on this survey.

K. CROSSLINES

Crosslines are adequately discussed in the hydrographer's report. **L. JUNCTIONS**

Survey H-10775 junctions with the following surveys.

Survey	<u>Year</u>	Scale	Area
H-10773	1997	1:10,000	Southern Culross Passage
H-10774	1997	1:10,000	McClure Bay and Vicinity
H-10776	1997	1:10,000	Main Bay and Approaches
H-10777	1997	1:10,000	Port Nellie Juan, SW of Mink Island
H-10778	1997	1:10,000	Southern Approaches to Perry Passage
H-10779	1997	1:10,000	Blue Fjord and Derickson Bay
H-10781	1997	1:10,000	Entrance to Kings Bay
H-10782	1997	1:40,000	Offshore Knight Island to Perry Passage The Finger Inlets, Greatene & Deep Weter Passage
H-10787 H-10789	1997 1997	1:10,000 1:10,000	The Finger Inlets, Greystone & Deep Water Bays Head of Kings Bay

The junction with H-10774 is poor. However, standard depth curves in common with both surveys are in good agreement. A comparison with depths in the junction area reflect differences of 10-40 fathoms, the multibeam data being consistently deeper. The area is defined between the 100 and 200 fathom depth curves and located as follows: Lat. 60/32/00N, Lat. 60/34/00N and from Lon. 148/11/15W to Lon. 148/13/45W. The DSF 6000N was used to collect sounding data on H-10774 and is believed to have been operated with an improper gain setting and excessive vessel speed along the steep bottom relief. Agreement with multibeam data outside the specified area is satisfactory (0-3 fathoms) and reflects no consistent pattern of being shoaler and or deeper. Analysis of these discrepancies during office processing provided no obvious problems with any systematic positional errors. It is believed the multibeam data provides a more accurate representation of the bottom and should supersede data within the overlap area specified above.

The junctions with the remaining surveys are good. General differences of 0-3 fathoms are noted throughout the common areas and standard depth curves are in good agreement. During office processing many suspected depth discrepancies with H-10775 were further analyzed and found to originate from the poor performance of the echo sounder on steep slope which was surveyed at excessive vessel speed and improper gain setting. In many instance the hydrographer attempted to correct the problem by editing the raw sounding data. However the quality of the echo sounder trace is so poor that the edits are likely based on judgment rather than quantifiable data. Office review of the problem has determined that the exception of obviously erroneous depths (rejected/rescanned), further editing is not reasonable since no corrective action can be taken to improve the quality of the trace. Generally, the affected depths are deep in excess of 125 fathoms and will have little negative effect on the quality of nautical charts at scales less then 1:40,000. After additional office processing, depth agreement with the multibeam data is good except as noted in the discussion with survey H-10774 and in the list tabulated below. A joins note has been added to the smooth sheet where applicable.

Several depths from H-10775 were rejected along the junctional limits with H-10774, H-10778, H-10779, H-10781, and H-10787. Many of these soundings fall inshore of the 100 fathom depth curve on the junction surveys and were consistently 10-50 fathoms deeper than the single beam data. These depths are not plotted on the smooth sheet and are listed below.

Sounding FMS	Latitude N	Longitude W	Junction Survey
139	60/32/48.901	148/12/35.401	H-10774
119	60/32/55.713	148/12/29.853	66
110	60/33/01.754	148/12/23.260	"
158	60/33/11.710	148/12/18.096	66
116	60/33/23.468	148/12/07.275	66
105	60/33/29.289	148/11/59.584	66
101	60/33/32.353	148/11/54.914	66
141	60/32/45.523	148/12/39.634	66
126	60/33/19.334	148/12/12.113	66
140	60/33/15.349	148/12/15.462	66
116	60/37/18.491	148/07/46.569	H-10778
118	60/37/21.568	148/07/38.991	"
201	60/30/30.746	148/16/57.261	H-10779
234	60/31/45.704	148/35/15.343	H-10781
115	60/33/11.218	148/31/51.769	66
236	60/31/30.416	148/35/43.086	"
115	60/33/02.029	148/25/18.734	H-10787
105	60/32/57.153	148/25/11.918	"
107	60/31/07.511	148/22/24.600	
117	60/32/19.758	148/25/52.402	"
129	60/33/17.865	148/25/56.748	46
96	60/32/47.446	148/24/44.952	"
81	60/32/42.118	148/24/34.350	٠٠.

M. COMPARISON WITH PRIOR SURVEYS

The present survey was compared to the following prior survey work.

Survey	Year	Scale	Datum
H-3570	1913	1:40,000	Valdez
H-3973	1917	1:20,000	Valdez

These prior survey cover the deeper portion of Port Nellie Juan and were conducted using leadlines and visual positioning techniques. Present survey depths were generally found to differ from 1-8 fathoms. These appear to be no consistent pattern of shoaling or an increase in depth. A few larger differences in depth with the prior surveys is largely attributed to erroneous leadline readings. The 100 and 200 fathom depth curves reflect little movement either seaward and or shoreward since 1913. Depth differences with the leadline surveys are largely attributed to better positioning, sounding methods and relative accuracy of the data acquisition techniques.

The present survey is adequate to supersede the prior surveys within the common area.

Survey	<u>Year</u>	Scale	<u>Datum</u>
H-7794	1948	1:40,000	Valdez
H-8491	1959	1:10,000	NAD 27
H-8606	1961	1:10,000	NAD 27

These prior surveys primarily cover the area from Culross Passage to Kings Bay and includes booth the deeper and inshore areas of Port Nellie Juan and Kings Bay. Comparison of the present survey depths with H-7794 from Coxcomb Point to Derickson Bay reflects general

differences of 1-5 fathoms in depths ranging from 150-200 fathoms. The present survey depicts consistently deeper depths. However a comparison of depths from Kings Bay to Coxcomb Point reflects a consistently shoaler bias of 1-5 fathoms in depths ranging from 200-250 fathoms. Extreme depth difference (20-50 fathoms) with the 1948 survey work are noted in several instances in depths of 125-200 fathoms where the bottom slopes rapidly into Port Nellie Juan.

Comparison with H-8491 and H-8606 reflects similar depth differences as noted with H-7794 along the areas where the bottom slopes rapidly into Port Nellie Juan. Agreement with prior survey depths to 100 fathoms and beyond 225 fathoms reveals a general difference of 1-5 fathoms. In all cases discussed above the present survey portrays a deeper bias.

The large depth differences with the prior surveys along the areas from 100 to 225fathoms is likely due to the operational characteristics of the echo sounder systems used in 1948-61 and the multibeam sonar system. Similar depth discrepancies (10-50 fathoms) were also noted during the conduct of prior survey H-8606. The EDO and 808 fathometers were used during the 1961 survey and revealed similar depth differences in areas of steep relief.

Survey H-10775 is adequate to supersede all of the above prior surveys within the common area.

In accordance with Hydrographic Survey Guideline No. 39, the effects of the 1964 Prince William Sound Earthquake were considered in the comparison of this survey. However, no reasonable adjustment value for prior soundings could be determined.

N. ITEM INVESTIGATIONS

There were no AWOIS items assigned to this survey.

O. COMPARISON WITH CHART

Survey H-10775 was compared with the following chart.

Chart	Edition	Date	Scale	<u>Datum</u>
16705	17th	Sept. 27, 1997	1:80,000	NAD83

a. Hydrography

Charted hydrography originates with the previously discussed prior surveys. The prior surveys have been adequately addressed in section M and require no further discussion.

Survey H-10775 is adequate to supersede charted hydrography within the charted area.

b. Dangers to navigation

No dangers to navigation were discovered during survey operations and/or during office processing.

P. ADEQUACY OF SURVEY

mck ijaulaa

With the exception of the rejected data listed in section M, hydrography contained on survey H-10775 is adequate to:

- a. delineate the bottom configuration, determine least depths, and draw the required 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.

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, April 1994 Edition, with the exception of the following.

In the event that the field units submission of survey data will exceed four weeks from the completion of work, the Chief of Party will submit a written explanation for the delay indicating the anticipated transmittal date to the Chief of the appropriate processing section. Marine Center ships will forward their explanation through the Marine Center Director. Fieldwork for survey H-10775 was completed on October 19, 1997 but not received for office processing until March 5, 1998.

Q. AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Point Nellie Juan Light was transferred from H-10776 to the smooth sheet. Refer to the descriptive report and smooth sheet for H-10776 regarding this fixed aid. There were no floating aids to navigation within the survey area.

There are no charted landmark within the area of this survey. The hydrographer made no charting recommendation for new landmarks within the area of this survey.

R. STATISTICS

Statistics are adequately itemized in the hydrographer's report.

S. MISCELLANEOUS

Miscellaneous information is discussed in the hydrographer's report. No additional miscellaneous items were noted during office processing.

T. RECOMMENDATIONS

This is a good hydrographic survey. No additional field work is recommended.

U. REFERRAL TO REPORTS

Referral to reports is adequately discussed in the hydrographer's report.

Agnardo T. Nectato
Leonardo T. Deodato

Cartographer

APPROVAL SHEET H-10775

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 survey records and digital data comply with NOS requirements except where noted in the Evaluation Report.

Source 4. Oamstrad	Date: 12/14/98
Bruce A. Olmstead	
Senior Cartographer, Cartographic Section	1
Pacific Hydrographic Branch	

I have reviewed the smooth sheet, 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.

cuelner Date: 1/22

James C. Gardner Commander, NOAA

Chief, Pacific Hydrographic Branch

Final Approval

Approved:

Andrew A. Armstrong III

Captain, NOAA

Chief, Hydrographic Surveys Division

Date: Jan 27, 1999

MARINE CHART BRANCH **RECORD OF APPLICATION TO CHARTS**

FILE WITH DESCRIPTIVE REPORT OF SURVEY NO. $\frac{\mu-10775}{}$

- A basic hydrographic or topographic survey supersedes all information of like nature on the uncorrected chart.
- 1. Letter all information.
- In "Remarks" column cross out words that do not apply.
 Give reasons for deviations, if any, from recommendations made under "Comparison with Charts" in the Review.

CHART	DATE	CARTOGRAPHER	REMARKS
16705	10/28/98	de T. Derdato	Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
	, ,		Drawing No. Application of Soundings and Fatures from Smooth Shed
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
			Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
	-		Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
			Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
			Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
			Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
			Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via
			Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via Drawing No.
			Full Part Before After Marine Center Approval Signed Via Drawing No.
	 		