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NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL OCEAN SURVEY

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey: Reconnaissance

Registry Number: H11341B

LOCALITY

State: Florida

General Locality: Dry Tortugas, FL

Sub-locality: NW of Dry Tortugas - Trackline

Along 50 Fathom curve

2004

CHIEF OF PARTY
LCDR Donald W. Haines, NOAA

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REGISTRY NUMBER:

HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

H11341B

INSTRUCTIONS: The Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

State: Florida

General Locality: Dry Tortugas, FL

Sub-Locality: NW of Dry Tortugas – Trackline Along 50 Fathom curve

Scale: 1:40,000 Date of Survey: 5/27/04 to 5/27/04

Instructions Dated: 04/29/04 Project Number: S-H903-TJ-04

Vessel: NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON, S-222

Chief of Party: LCDR Donald W. Haines, NOAA

Surveyed by: THOMAS JEFFERSON Personnel

Soundings by: Kongsberg Simrad EM1002 multibeam echosounder

Graphic record scaled by: N/A

Graphic record checked by: N/A

Protracted by: N/A Automated Plot: N/A

Hewlett Packard Design Jet 2500 CP (office)

Verification by: Atlantic Hydrographic Branch Personnel

Soundings in: Feet Meters at MLLW

Remarks: Red, bold, italic notes in descriptive report were made during office processing.

- 1) All Times are UTC.
- 2) This is a Reconnaissance Hydrographic Survey.
- 3) Projection is UTM Zone 17.

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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

to accompany
Hydrographic Survey H11341B

Scale of Survey: 1:40,000 Year of Survey: 2004 NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON LCDR Donald W. Haines, Commanding

A. AREA SURVEYED

This hydrographic survey was conducted in accordance with Hydrographic Survey Letter Instructions for project S-H903-TJ-04, Tortugas Bank Vicinity, Dry Tortugas, Florida. The original instructions are dated April 29, 2004.

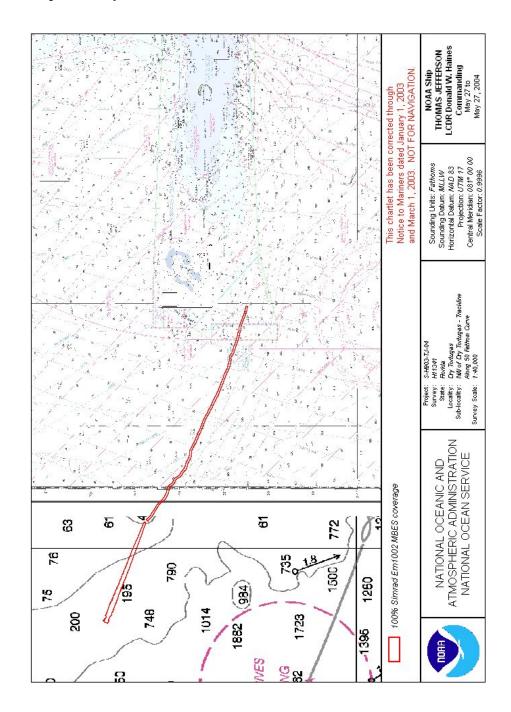
This Descriptive Report pertains to the 50-fathom reconnaissance survey of project S-H903-TJ-04. The assigned registry number for this sheet is H11341, as prescribed in the Letter Instructions dated April 29, 2004, Change No. 1 dated May 23, 2004 and email registry number request dated June 3, 2004.

This special project responds to a request from the National Marine Sanctuaries of the National Ocean Service (NOS). The results of this project will provide various types of hydrographic survey data sets to assist in the monitoring of a "no-take" ecological reserve in the Tortugas region which took effect July 1, 2001. This reserve protects some of the richest coral reef habitat found within the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS). Much of this habitat remains unmapped in detail with modern survey technology due to its remote location.

This reconnaissance survey was acquired at the request of FKNMS to help in defining this 50 fathom isobath.

For complete survey limits, see the chartlet on the following page.

Figure 1: Complete Survey Limits



B. DATA ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING

EQUIPMENT See also the Evaluation Report

Data were acquired by NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON. NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON is a 63.4-meter hydrographic survey vessel with an average transducer draft of 4.6 meters.

NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON acquired multibeam echosounder (MBES) data with a SIMRAD 1002.

NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON positioning and attitude data were determined with a TSS POS/MV 320 Version 3 GPS-aided inertial navigation system.

No unusual vessel configurations or problems were encountered. Refer to the Data Acquisition and Processing Report (DAPR*) for detailed equipment and vessel configuration information.

* Filed at Atlantic Hydrographic Branch

QUALITY CONTROL See also the Evaluation Report

Side Scan Sonar Quality Control

No side scan sonar data were acquired for this survey.

Shallow Water Multibeam Quality Control

There were no faults with the MBES system which affected data integrity. Refer to this project's DAPR for detailed discussion of MBES system calibrations, data acquisition, and data processing. Two issues specific to this survey affected data quality: sound velocity profile frequency and the Simrad Em1002 outer beam roll coefficient. Although there was great distance involved (80nm) for the track line and two casts were taken, no apparent problems with sound velocity were noted in these data. Although the outer beam roll coefficient was for a different part of the gulf, no degradation of the data was noted.

The Simrad Em1002 outer beam roll coefficient used for the acquisition of these data was from project OPR-K366-TJ-04. An outer beam roll coefficient for S-H903-TJ-04 was not determined until after acquisition for this survey.

Crosslines

No crosslines were acquired for this survey.

Junctions

This survey junctions with NOAA Ship Thomas Jefferson data acquisition on H11340 and University of Southern Florida (USF) data acquired by Dr. David Naar.

CORRECTIONS TO ECHO SOUNDING

All methods or instruments used were as described in the project DAPR. A table detailing all sound velocity casts is located in Separate III*.

*Filed with original field records.

C. VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL CONTROL

VERTICAL CONTROL

The tidal datum for this project is Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW). A tertiary tide gauge was installed on Loggerhead Key (872-4698) for this project after data acquisition for this survey.

Due to the survey depths (50 fathoms) and the minimal tide range for the area, zero tides were used for data processing. This survey was beyond the preliminary zones provided by CO-OPS.

A Request for Approved Tides was sent on June 8, 2004.

Verified tides using final tide zoning were re-applied by AHB.

HORIZONTAL CONTROL

The horizontal datum used for this survey is the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), projected using UTM zone 17. *Concur.*

Horizontal position was determined using the Global Positioning System (GPS) corrected by U.S. Coast Guard differential GPS (DGPS) beacon stations. The primary DGPS beacons used for this survey was Key West, Florida (site ID = 811, transmission frequency = 286) and Tampa, Florida (site ID = 823, transmission frequency = 312). No horizontal control stations were established for this survey.

Horizontal dilution of precision (HDOP) was monitored daily on the ship and both launches. That value did not exceed 4.00, and adequate satellite coverage was maintained throughout the survey period.

D. RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

CHART COMPARISON See also the Evaluation Report.

There are 6 charts affected by this survey:

Table 1: Affected Charts

Number	Version	Edition Date	Scale
11438	12 th Ed.	04/01/2004	1:30,000*
11434	25 th Ed.	08/01/2003	1:180,000
1113A	27 th Ed.	03/01/2003	1:470,940**
11420	27 th Ed.	03/03/2003	1:875,000
11006	31 st Ed.	09/01/2003	1:1,200,000
411	49 th Ed.	03/01/2003	1:2,160,000

^{*} The present survey does not fall in the limits of this chart.

General Agreement with Charted Soundings, Features, and Notes

There are discrete differences between the surveyed contour and the charted contour on the various charts in the area. *Concur*.

Item Investigation Reports

There are no Item Investigation Reports for this reconnaissance survey. *Concur.*

ADDITIONAL RESULTS

Prior Surveys

This reconnaissance survey is outside of the original project area. No prior survey information is available.

^{**}This chart is the same as chart 11420. The overlays are at a 1:470,940 scale and are outside the limits of the survey.

Aids to Navigation and Other Detached Positions

There were no Aids to Navigation or Detached Positions in the survey area to be considered. *Concur*.

Bridges and Overhead Cables

There were no bridges or overhead cables in the survey area to be considered. *Concur.*

Ferry Routes

There were no ferry routes in the survey area to be considered. *Concur*.

Submarine Cables and Pipelines

There were no cables or pipelines in the survey area to be considered. *Concur*.

E. APPROVAL SHEET

S-H903-TJ-04 Florida Dry Tortugas NW of Dry Tortugas – Trackline Along 50 Fathom curve

Survey Registry No. H11341

Field operations for this reconnaissance hydrographic survey were conducted under my daily supervision with frequent checks of progress and adequacy. All bathymetry models, this Descriptive Report, and all accompanying records and data are approved.

This survey is adequate to supersede all prior surveys in common areas and for application to the relevant NOS nautical charts.

Also submitted in association with this descriptive report has been a series of reports and data:

- SEPARATES TO ACCOMPANY PROJECT S-H903-TJ-04, SHEET X, H11341
- HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL CONTROL REPORT TO ACCOMPANY PROJECT S-H903-TJ-04 (dated June 14, 2004; submitted June 15, 2004)

Respectfully Submitted:	
LT Marc S. Moser, NOAA	
Field Operations Officer	
Approved and Forwarded:	
LCDR Donald W. Haines, NOAA	-
Commanding Officer	



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TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

DATE: December 10, 2004

HYDROGRAPHIC BRANCH: Atlantic

HYDROGRAPHIC PROJECT: S-H903-TJ-2004

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET: H11341

LOCALITY:

NW of Dry Tortugas - Trackline Along 50

Fathom Curve

TIME PERIOD:

May 27, 2004

TIDE STATION USED: 872-4580 Key West, FL

Lat. 24° 33.2'N Lon. 81° 48.5'W

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

HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE: 0.463 meters

REMARKS: RECOMMENDED ZONING

Use zone(s) identified as: SEG492, SEG493, SEG494, SEG500,

SEG501, SEG502 & SEG506

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 on the new 1983-2001 National Tidal Datum Epoch (NTDE).

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ATLANTIC HYDROGRAPHIC BRANCH EVALUATION REPORT FOR H11341B (2004)

This Evaluation Report has been written to supplement and/or clarify the original Descriptive Report. Sections in this report refer to the corresponding sections of the Descriptive Report.

Survey H11341 was submitted by the hydrographer as one survey. During office processing of this survey at the Atlantic Hydrographic Branch, it was decided to divide this survey into two sheets, A and B. This report and the descriptive report associated with it refer to sheet B.

AUTOMATED DATA ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING В.

The following software was used to process data at the Atlantic Hydrographic Branch:

> MapInfo, version 6.5 MicroStation J, version 07.01.04.16 IRAS B, version 07.01.000.18 CARIS HIPS/SIPS version 5.4 PYDRO, version 5.3.3rc5

The smooth sheet was plotted using a Hewlett Packard Design Jet 2500CP plotter.

Junctions

H11340 (2004) to the north

A standard junction was not effected with H11340 as that survey was not available at this time during office processing.

D. RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

CHART COMPARISONS 11434 (27th Edition, Mar/03)

Corrected through NM Mar 15/03 Corrected through LNM Feb 25/03 11420 (26th Edition, Apr /05) Corrected through NM Apr 23/05 Corrected through LNM Apr 19/05

11006 (31st Edition, Sept /03) Corrected through NM Aug 23/03

Corrected through LNM Aug 12/03

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

ADEQUACY OF SURVEY

This is an adequate hydrographic sonar survey. No additional field work is recommended.

MISCELLANEOUS

There was a gap in the data for this survey in the vicinity of Latitude 24°46'55"N, Longitude 83°53'35"W. This had no effect upon the survey.

Chart compilation was done by Atlantic Hydrographic Branch personnel in Norfolk, Virginia. The following NOS charts were used for compilation of the present survey:

11434 (27th Edition, Mar/03)
Corrected through NM Mar 15/03
Corrected through LNM Feb 25/03
11420 (26th Edition, Apr /05)
Corrected through NM Apr 23/05
Corrected through LNM Apr 19/05
11006 (31st Edition, Sept /03)
Corrected through NM Aug 23/03
Corrected through LNM Aug 12/03

Bryan Chauveau
Physical Scientist
Verification of Data
Evaluation and Analysis

APPROVAL SHEET H11341B

The completed survey has been inspected with regard to survey coverage, delineation of depth curves, development of critical depths, cartographic symbolization, and verification or disproval of charted data. All revisions and additions made to the smooth sheet during survey processing have been entered in the digital data for this survey. The survey records and digital data comply with NOS requirements except where noted in the Evaluation Report.

Date: 22 Aug 2005

Bryan Chauveau

Physical Scientist

Atlantic 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.

Approved:

P Tod Schattgen Commander, NOAA

Chief, Atlantic Hydrographic Branch

MARINE CHART BRANCH

RECORD OF APPLICATION TO CHARTS

FILE WITH DESCRIPTIVE REPORT OF SURVE

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INSTRUCTIONS

- 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

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CHART	DATE	CARTOGRAPHER	REMARKS			
11434	June 05	Bryan Chauveau	Full After Marine Center Approval Signed Via			
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11420	Jun 05	Bryan Chauveau	Full After Marine Center Approval Signed Via			
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11000	70005	Brogan Chauveau	Full After Marine Center Approval Signed Via			
11000	Jarco	Oly	Drawing No.			
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