

generated. This position was logged concurrently with the bathymetry from Winfrog and logged to the POS file by Winfrog POS logger. It was later corrected for offsets to the MBES sonar by CARIS HIPS in processing.

Final positioning, however, was done using post-processed kinematic (PPK) methods. Applanix POSPac software was used in conjunction with the POS files and local base station data to generate a higher accuracy position which was applied in processing, replacing the real-time position records.

See M-L906-KR-08 Horizontal and Vertical Control Report for a more detailed description of PPK positioning methods used.

Vertical Control

All sounding data were initially reduced to mean lower low water (MLLW) using predicted tidal data. It should be noted that predicted tides were used in the field for preliminary processing only.

Gauge	Location	Latitude	Longitude
9419750	Crescent City, CA	41° 44.7' N	124° 10.9' W
9418767	North Spit, CA	40° 46.0' N	124° 13.0′ W

Table 2 – Tide Gauges

Tides

All sounding data were initially reduced to mean lower low water (MLLW) using predicted tidal data. Predicted tidal data for a month long period, UTC (Pacific Standard Time to UTC was +7 hours), was assembled (for gauges 9418767 & 9419750) from the National Water Level Observation Program accessed through the NOAA tides and currents website (http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/). A cumulative file for the gauges was updated monthly by appending the new data. It should be noted that predicted tides were used in the field for preliminary processing only. Refer to the Horizontal and Vertical Control Report for any additional tidal information.

On March 1, 2009, verified tide data was acquired from the National Water Level Observation Program accessed through the NOAA tides and currents website (http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/). Tidal zoning file was developed and provided by NOAA. From March 1, 2009 to March 2, 2009, all sounding data were re-merged using CARIS HIPS and SIPS tide routine. Verified tidal data from the Crescent City, CA. (9419750) and the North Spit, CA. (9418767) tidal stations were used for the final Navigation Base Surfaces and S-57 Feature files. Tidal Stations were owned and operated by the NOAA's National Ocean Service through the National Water Level Observation Program.



Final tidal corrections for this portion of the project were traditional tides and zoning and not GPS-derived, because to date, no VDatum model exists for NAD83 to MLLW.