

C.2 ZONING

Tide zones covering the extent of the survey area were derived from tide zone coordinates supplied by NOAA CO-OPS. The tide zones were modified to extend approximately 20 miles offshore and to leave no gaps over land to ensure that all lidar coverage would be covered by zones. Also, the zoning cell geometry was simplified, while preserving a similar shape, in order to meet FLI's requirement that each zoning cell have 10 or fewer vertices. Each of these tide zones use time and range correctors relative to the Lameshur Bay NWLON tide station and three subordinate tide stations installed by JOA. These are as follows:

Tide Zone	GS Identifier	Time Corrector	Range Corrector	Reference Station
VIR80	TA10	-6 minutes	x1.05	9751381
VIR69	TA11	0 minutes	x0.96	9751583
VIR71B	TA12	0 minutes	x1.04	9751583
VIR71A	TA13	0 minutes	x1.04	9751583
VIR75	TA14	0 minutes	x0.96	9751768
VIR74	TA15	0 minutes	x1.00	9751768
VIR1A	TA16	0 minutes	x0.92	9751768
VIR72	TA17	-6 minutes	x1.04	9751583
VIR71	TA18	0 minutes	x1.04	9751583
VIR1B	TA19	-24 minutes	x1.13	9751381
VIR33	TA20	12 minutes	x0.99	9751309
VIR32	TA21	18 minutes	x0.98	9751309
VIR31	TA22	-6 minutes	x1.11	9751381
VIR30	TA23	-6 minutes	x0.99	9751381
VIR35	TA24	0 minutes	x1.00	9751309
VIR34	TA25	6 minutes	x1.00	9751309
VIR35A	TA26	0 minutes	x1.03	9751309
VIR73	TA27	0 minutes	x0.98	9751768
VIR31A	TA28	6 minutes	x1.11	9751381
VIR68	TA29	0 minutes	x1.00	9751583
VIR25	TA30	-12 minutes	x0.99	9751381
VIR27	TA31	-6 minutes	x1.11	9751381
VIR31B	TA32	24 minutes	x1.11	9751381
VIR70	TA33	0 minutes	x1.00	9751583
VIR28	TA34	-12 minutes	x1.11	9751381
VIR29	TA35	-6 minutes	x0.99	9751381
VIR66	TA36	-18 minutes	x1.23	9751381
VIR67	TA37	0 minutes	x1.04	9751583
LAND1	TA38	0 minutes	x1.00	9751381
LAND2	TA39	0 minutes	x1.00	9751381

For final tide application, the time and range correctors were applied to NOAA verified and JOA quality controlled tide data, smoothed by JOA. Soundings were then reduced to MLLW using these final tides. An analysis of depth benchmark and crossline comparisons, and overlaps of the mainlines of sounding concluded that final tide zoning was adequate.