

**H12309**

NOAA FORM 76-35A

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

**DESCRIPTIVE REPORT**

Type of Survey: Navigable Area

Registry Number: H12309

**LOCALITY**

State: Virginia

General Locality: Approaches to Chesapeake Bay

Sub-locality: 29 NM East of Cape Henry

**2011**

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**HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET**

**H12309**

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: **Virginia**

General Locality: **Approaches to Chesapeake Bay**

Sub-Locality: **29 NM East of Cape Henry**

Scale: **1:40,000** Date of Survey: **04/15/2011 to 05/10/2011**

Instructions Dated: **6 April, 2011** Project Number: **OPR-D304-TJ-11**

Vessel: **NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson***

Chief of Party: **CDR Lawrence T. Krepp , NOAA**

Surveyed by: ***Thomas Jefferson* Personnel**

Soundings by: **Reson 7125 multibeam echo sounder.**

Graphic record scaled by: **N/A**

Graphic record checked by: **N/A**

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

Verification by:

Soundings in: **Meters at MLLW**

Remarks:  
**1) All Times are in UTC.**  
**2) This is a Navigable Area Hydrographic Survey.**  
**3) Projection is NAD83, UTM Zone 18.**

*The purpose of this survey is to provide contemporary surveys to update National Ocean Service (NOS) nautical charts. All separates are filed with the hydrographic data. Revisions and Red notes were generated during office processing. The processing branch concurs with all information and recommendations in the DR unless otherwise noted. Page numbering may be interrupted or non-sequential. All pertinent records for this survey, including the Descriptive Report, are archived at the National Geophysical Data Center (NGDC) and can be retrieved via <http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/>.*

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**Descriptive Report to Accompany Hydrographic Survey H12309**

Project OPR-D304-TJ-11  
 Approach to Chesapeake Bay, VA  
 29 NM east of Cape Henery  
 Scale 1:40,000  
 April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
**NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson***

**A. AREA SURVEYED**

This hydrographic survey was completed as specified by Hydrographic Survey Project Instructions OPR-D304-TJ-11, dated 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2011 and Change1 to Final Instructions OPR-D304-TJ-11 dated 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2011.

Northern limit	Southern limit	Eastern limit	Western limit
37°00'51"	36°55'17"	-075°18'53"	-075°29'18"

Data acquisition was conducted from April 15<sup>th</sup> – May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

The purpose of this project is to provide contemporary surveys to update National Ocean Service (NOS) nautical charting products. The project will address the concerns raised by the Virginia Pilots about the under keel clearance of deep draft coal ships transiting through the area southeast of the deep draft lane sea buoy. The project will also provide data in the area of two potential new shipping access areas, proposed by the Virginia Maritime Association. This project will cover approximately 364 nm<sup>2</sup> of which 170 nm<sup>2</sup> are critical survey areas as designated in NOAA Hydrographic Survey Priorities, 2010 edition.

	Linear Nautical Miles
LNM Single beam mainscheme only	N/A
LNM Multibeam mainscheme only	0
LNM Lidar mainscheme only	N/A
LNM Side Scan Sonar mainscheme only	3.9
Lineal nautical miles of any combination of the above techniques (SSS 200%, MBES)	1083.4
LNM Crosslines singlebeam and multibeam combined	85.79
LNM Lidar Crosslines	N/A
LNM development lines non mainscheme	5.143
LNM shoreline/nearshore investigations	N/A
Number of Bottom Samples	5
Number of items investigated that required additional time/effort in the field beyond the above survey operations	N/A
Total number of square nautical miles	48.5

**Table 1: Hydrographic Survey Statistics**

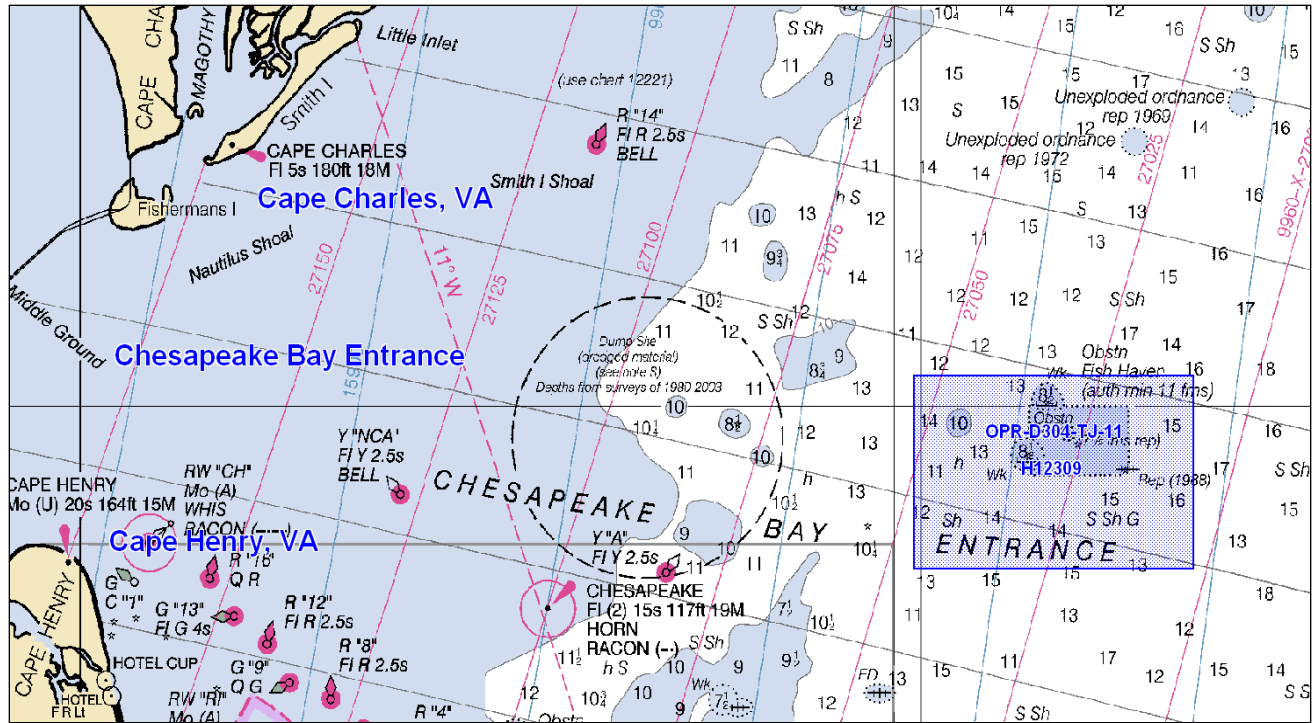


Figure 1: H12309 Survey Area.

Calendar Date	Julian Day
15-April-11	105
16-April-11	106
17-April-11	107
18-April-11	108
19-April-11	109
20-April-11	110
21-April-11	111
27-April-11	117
29-April-11	119
30-April-11	120
10-May-11	130

Table 2: SSS/MBES Acquisition Dates

**B. DATA ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING**

Refer to *OPR-D304-TJ-11 Data Acquisition and Processing Report (DAPR)* for a complete description of data acquisition and processing systems, survey vessels, quality control procedures and data processing methods. Additional information to supplement sounding and survey data, and any deviations from the DAPR are included in this descriptive report.

**B 1. EQUIPMENT AND VESSELS**

NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson* acquired Reson 7125 multibeam echo sounder (MBES) soundings, Klein 5000 Side Scan Sonar (SSS) imagery, and sound velocity profiles. Launch 3102 and launch 3101 acquired Reson 7125 SV multibeam echo sounder soundings and sound velocity profiles. Sea bed samples were collected by Hydrographic Survey Launch 3101. Vessel configurations, equipment operation and data acquisition and processing were consistent with specifications described in the *DAPR*.

## **B 2. QUALITY CONTROL**

### **B 2.1 System Certification and Calibration**

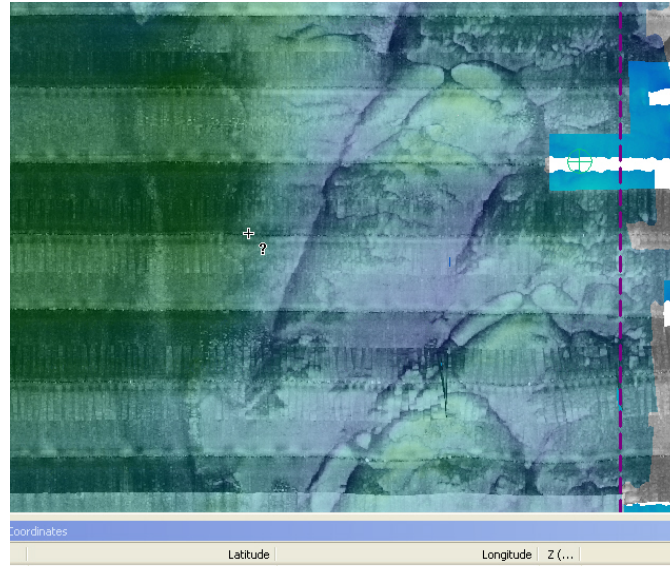
Refer to NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson's* *DAPR* for a complete description of system integration and initial calibration results for equipment and sensors used for this survey.

### **B.2.2 Sounding Coverage**

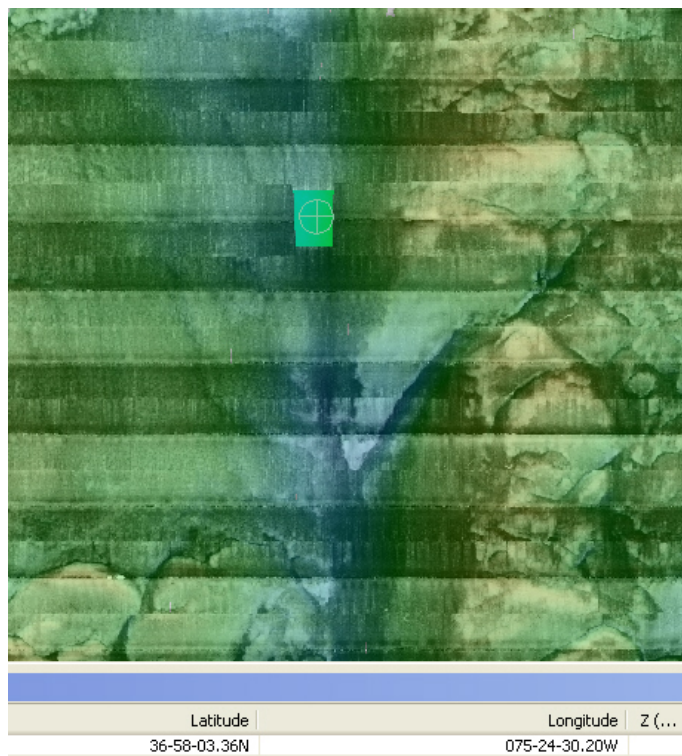
As per the Project Instructions, this survey was conducted using 200% SSS coverage with concurrent MBES bathymetry with object detection MBES development over navigationally significant features.

There are 6 holidays in the 100% side scan mosaic. Three of the holidays occur along the ends of the sheet and were created when logging began too late, or ended too soon. Three additional holidays are near the middle of the survey area. These are minor holidays that were most likely created by over cleaning navigation data in processing, or by the acquisition software while automatically starting a data file (it is common to automatically break files after 20 minutes to keep file sizes manageable). All holidays in the 100% mosaic are well covered by the 200% mosaic. Coverage requirements were achieved over the holiday in position, 36-59-02.68N, 075-29-10.63W by 100% side scan (from the 200% mosaic) and by full coverage MBES. The holiday in position, 36-59-39.24N, 075-19-00.31W, failed to meet coverage requirements because full coverage MBES data does not cover the entire holiday area. However, the 200% side scan has good geometry over this area and it is unlikely that a navigationally significant feature would go undetected. See figure 2.

There are 5 holidays in the 200% side scan mosaic. Four small holidays occur along the eastern end of the sheet and were created when logging began too late, or ended too soon. The remaining holiday is near the middle of the sheet. This holiday, in position 36-58-03.36N, 075-24-30.20W, meets coverage requirements because the area is covered by 100% side scan and full coverage MBES. See figure 3.



**Figure 2: Side scan sonar holiday in 100% mosaic – failed to meet coverage requirements. In this image, the 100% mosaic set to 30% transparency and overlain on the MBES combined surface.**



**Figure 3: Side scan sonar holiday in 200% mosaic. 200% mosaic set to 30% transparency and overlain on the MBES combined surface.**

### B 2.3 Crosslines

Multibeam echosounder cross-lines totaling 85.79 LNM, approximately 7.92% of the total multibeam hydrography, were acquired during the course of the survey. As per email dated 10 Sept, 2009 from AHB located in the Descriptive Report, Appendix 5, quality control was

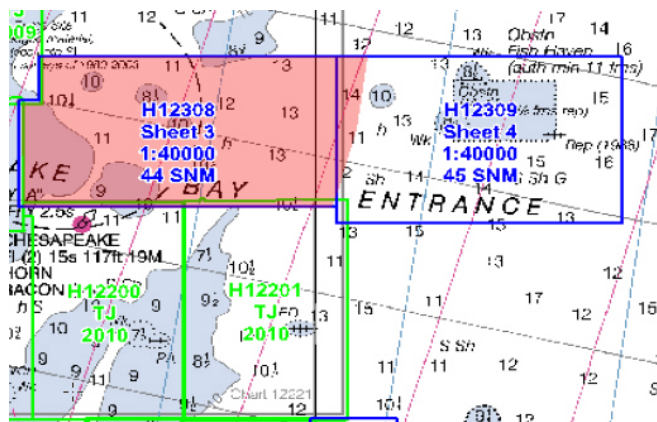


performed using the standard deviation layer of the survey’s CUBE surfaces. Areas of unusually high standard deviation (>50cm) were investigated and resolved in processing, except where caused by areas of high bathymetric relief or as described in Section 2.5 Systematic Errors.

**B 2.4 Junctions and Prior Surveys**

The following contemporary surveys junction with H12309, see figure 4.

<b>Registry #</b>	<b>Scale</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Field Party</b>	<b>Junction side</b>
H12201	1:40,000	2010	<i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	Southwest
H12308	1:40,000	2011	<i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	West

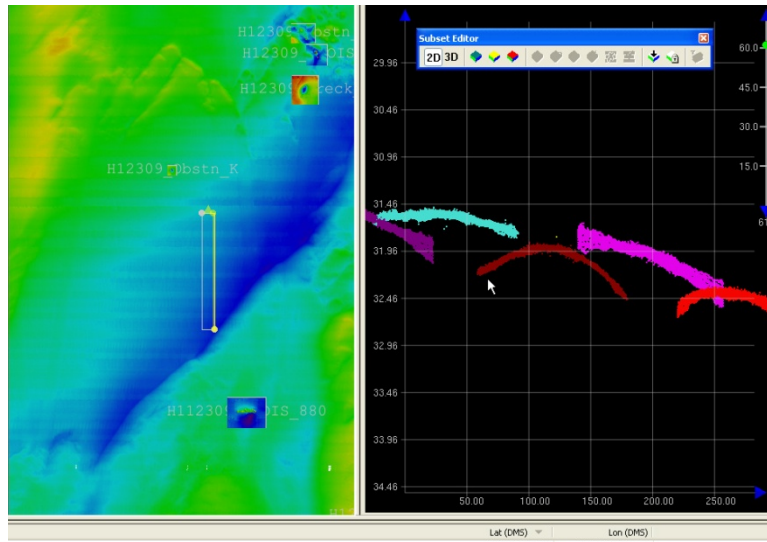


**Figure 4: Junction Surveys.**

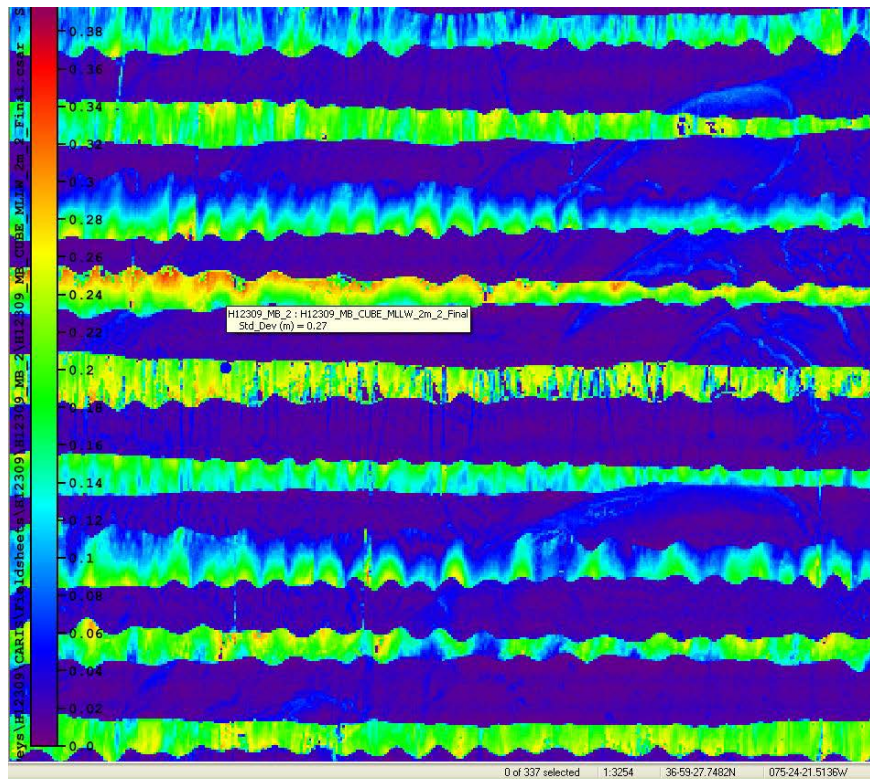
The soundings that junction between H12308 and H12309 generally agree within 10-20cm.

**B 2.5 Systematic Errors**

Throughout the survey area, high values of standard deviation (20cm – 50cm) were observed along the outer edges of the swaths due to refraction. The Approach to Chesapeake Bay is an area of mixing, where brackish water from tidally influenced rivers empty into the Bay and out into the Atlantic. It is common to see sudden changes in the surface sound speed of several meters/second in this area. The intake for the surface sound velocity sensor (SSVS) is located near centerline of the ship, flush against the hull. When a density layer is present between the water’s surface and the intake as is common in this area, laminar flow across the hull frequently brings water of a different density into the SSVS. When this occurs, there is a discrepancy between the sound speed measured at the SSVS and the sound velocity at the transducer face. These discrepancies cause refraction issues that will vary in magnitude based on the differences in sound speed. Refer to Figures 5 and 6, for examples of refraction artifacts in this survey.



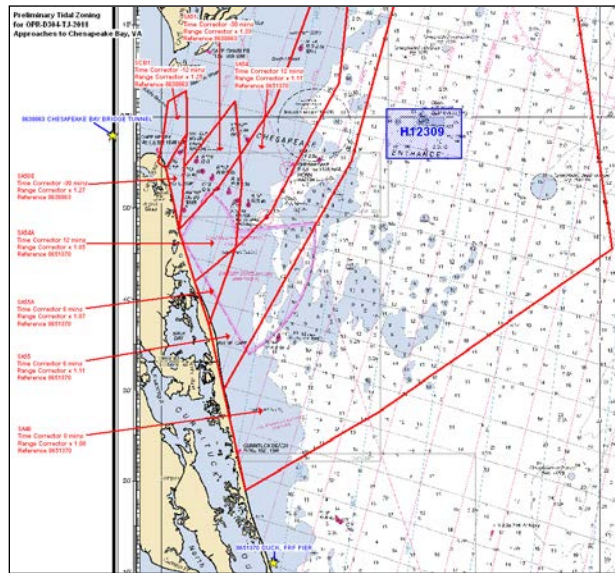
**Figure 5: Refraction artifacts – 60x vertical exaggeration in the 2-D subset to illustrate refraction artifacts in the MBES data.**



**Figure 6: Standard Deviation Layer – Color Range 0cm-40cm with highest standard deviation shown in red. High standard deviation caused primarily by refraction issues.**

### B 3. CORRECTIONS TO ECHO SOUNDING

HDSCS sounding data were reduced to mean lower-low water (MLLW) using verified water levels from Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, VA (8638863) and Duck, NC (8651370) using preliminary zoning accepted as final zoning and illustrated in Figure 7.



**Figure 7: Final Tide Zoning**

All other datum reduction procedures conform to those outlined in the DAPR.

All methods and instruments used for sound velocity correction were as described in the DAPR. A text file detailing all sound velocity casts is located in Separate II of this survey submission.

Sound velocity corrections for this survey were applied using the ship’s Moving Vessel Profiler (MVP) and Conductivity, Temperature, and Depth (CTD) profiler.

**B 4. DATA PROCESSING**

**B 4.1 Total Propagated Error**

For the 2011 field season, Total Propagated Error (TPE) parameters for sound, speed, and tides are calculated separately for each project. The project-specific parameters for OPR-D304-TJ-11, Survey H12309 are as follows:

Project	Vessel	Tide Values Combined Measured & Zoning	Sound Velocity Values		
			CTD	MVP	Surface
H12309	S222	0.085	4	1	0.2
H12309	3101	0.085	4	NA	0.2
H12309	3102	0.085	4	NA	0.2

**Table 3: TPE Parameters**

These values were calculated for all MBES data following CARIS Merge.

## B 4.2 BASE Surfaces and Mosaics

The following table describes all BASE Surfaces submitted as part of Survey H12309:

<i>Name of Surface</i>	<i>Resolution</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
<i>H12309_MB_CUBE_MLLW_1m_1_Final.csar</i>	<i>1m</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_MB_CUBE_MLLW_2m_2_Final.csar</i>	<i>2m</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Set Line Spacing Bathymetry</i>
<i>H12309_MB_CUBE_MLLW_2m_3_Final.csar</i>	<i>2m</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Set Line Spacing Bathymetry</i>
<i>H12309_MB_CUBE_MLLW_2m_4_Final.csar</i>	<i>2m</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Set Line Spacing Bathymetry</i>
<i>H12309_MB_CUBE_MLLW_2m_5_Final.csar</i>	<i>2m</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Set Line Spacing Bathymetry</i>
<i>H12309_AWOIS_14907_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Wrecks_ABCD_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_AWOIS_14904_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Wreck_E_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Wreck_F_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Wreck_G_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_AWOIS_903_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Obstn_H_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Obstns_I_J_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Obstn_L_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_Obstn_K_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_AWOIS_880_50cm_Final.csar</i>	<i>50cm</i>	<i>CUBE</i>	<i>Object Detection</i>
<i>H12309_100_SSS.csar</i>	<i>1m</i>	<i>Mosaic</i>	<i>100% Mosaic</i>
<i>H12309_200_SSS.csar</i>	<i>1m</i>	<i>Mosaic</i>	<i>200% Mosaic</i>
<i>H12309_Combined_2m.csar</i>	<i>2m</i>	<i>Combined</i>	<i>Soundings</i>

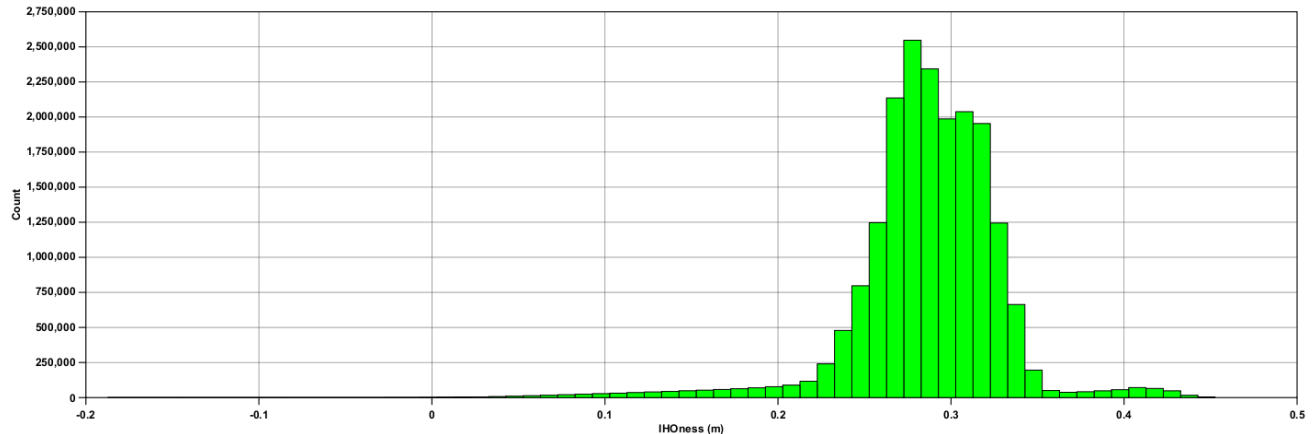
Table 4: BASE Surfaces

This survey was processed using the Combined Uncertainty and Bathymetry Estimator (CUBE) algorithm. The CUBE configuration was set to NOAA\_1m for object detection surfaces and NOAA\_2m for all main scheme surfaces. Refer to the *2011 Data Acquisition and Processing Report, 2011 Field Procedures Manual, and CARIS HIPS and SIPS User Guide* for further discussion.

## B 4.3 Data Cleaning

The survey data was cleaned using the swath and subset editor tools in CARIS. All areas of the BASE surface that indicated high standard deviation were examined and cleaned as required

such that nodes in the surface meet the IHO order 1 depth accuracy requirements at the 95% confidence interval or better. H12309 achieved IHO Order 1 specifications for 99.99% of nodes in the combined surface. See Figure 8, for the distribution of “IHOness” values.



**Figure 8: IHOness – Nodes with an “IHOness” value above zero indicate that IHO Order I Total Vertical Uncertainty requirements were met.**

**C. HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL CONTROL**

As per FPM section 5.2.3.2.3 an HVCR report was not filed as no horizontal and vertical control stations were established by the field party for this survey. A summary of horizontal and vertical control for this survey follows.

**C 1.1 Horizontal Control**

The horizontal datum for this project is the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83). Differential GPS (DGPS) was the sole method of positioning. Differential corrections from U.S. Coast Guard beacon at Driver, VA (289 kHz) were used during this survey.

No horizontal control stations were established by the field party for this survey.

**C 1.2 Vertical Control**

The vertical datum for this project is Mean Lower-Low Water (MLLW). The operating National Water Level Observation Network (NWLON) stations at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, VA (8638863) and Duck, NC (8651370) will serve as datum control for H12309. A request for delivery of final approved (verified) tides for this survey was forwarded to N/OPS1 on 20 May 2011 in accordance with the FPM and Project Instructions. The Final Tide Note is dated May 31, 2011.

**D. RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**D.1 Chart Comparison**

Survey ~~H12200~~ **H12309** was compared to Charts 12221, (80<sup>th</sup> Ed., January 2009, 1:80,000), chart 12207 (22<sup>nd</sup> Ed., October 2009, 1:80,000), and ENC's US4VA12M, and US5VA11M.

### **D 1.1 Chart 12200\_1 Comparison**

Generally, soundings compare within one fathom from charted depth. There is some general shoaling to approximately 13fm near the center of the survey area, but this is in close proximity to the fish haven which has a charted authorized minimum depth of 11fm, so the shoaling is not considered to pose a hazard. Additional general shoaling to approximately 9.5 fm is located near the northwest corner of the survey area at the charted 10fm in position 36-59-26.92N, 075-27-35.76W, and shoaling to 10.5fm northward for approximately 1500m.

### **D 1.2 Chart 12221\_1 Comparison**

Generally, soundings compare within one foot from charted depth. One area with a charted depth of 77 feet was observed to have shoaled to 75 feet in the vicinity of 36-58-54.21 N, 075-29-14.01W.

### **D 1.3 ENC US3DE01M Comparison**

Generally, soundings compare within one fathom from charted depth. Areas of general shoaling are as described in section D 1.1 of the chart comparison of NOS Chart 12221 .

### **D 1.4 ENC US4VA12M Comparison**

Generally, soundings compare within one foot from charted depth.

## **D.2 Additional Results**

### **D.2.1 Automated Wreck and Obstruction Information Service (AWOIS) Items**

Five AWOIS items were investigated for this survey. See the feature report, Appendix II and the *S57 Features* folder for details.

### **D.2.2 Shoreline**

There is no shoreline within the sheet limits of survey H12309. 5 features from the Composite Source File (CSF) that was assigned to OPR-D304-TJ-11 are located within the limits of this survey. These items are the same 5 features assigned as AWOIS items. These items were investigated and the results are included Appendix II of this Descriptive Report and in the *S57 Features* folder submitted with this survey.

### **D.2.3 Charted Features**

## **D.2.4 Charted Pipelines and Cables**

There are no charted pipelines or cables within the sheet limits of survey H12309.

## **D.2.5 Bridges, Ferry Routes, and Overhead Cables**

There are no ferry routes, bridges, or overhead cable crossings within the limits of the survey.

## **D.3 Dangers to Navigation and Shoals**

### **D 3.1 Dangers to Navigation**

No dangers to navigation were found or reported to the NOAA's Office of Coast Survey.

### **D 3.2 Shoals**

There were no significant uncharted shoals discovered during this survey.

## **D. 4 Aids to Navigation**

There are no charted Aids to Navigation (ATON) within the limits of H12309.

## **D.5 Coast Pilot Information**

The Hydrographer has no recommendations for changes or addenda to the Coast Pilot.

## **D.6 Miscellaneous**

### **D.6 Bottom Samples**

Bottom samples were collected in accordance with NOAA Hydrographic Survey Specifications and Deliverables. A total of four bottom samples were acquired. A complete description of all bottom samples acquired during Survey H12309 is contained in Appendix V of this report and H12309\_Bottom\_Samples.hob is located in the S57\_Features folder of this survey submission.

## **D.7 Environmental Conditions and Notes**

Operations were halted on DN 106 due to foul weather conditions. Heave and roll artifacts were observed in data collected at the end of that day. Lines 147 and 149 were rerun by 3101 on DN 120.

## **D.8 Adequacy of Survey**

This survey is considered complete and adequate to supersede charted depths and features within the common area of the affected charts.

**D.9 Summary and Recommendations for Additional Work**

No additional work is needed to complete this survey. No changes significant to navigation have been noted and it is recommended that this survey receive normal processing priority.



**E. APPROVAL**

As Lead Hydrographer, I have ensured that standard field surveying and processing procedures were followed in producing this examination in accordance with the Office of Coast Survey Hydrographic Surveys Division’s *Field Procedures Manual*, and NOS *Hydrographic Surveys Specifications and Deliverables*. Field operations for this basic hydrographic survey were conducted under my daily supervision with frequent checks of progress and adequacy.

All field sheets, this Descriptive Report, and all accompanying records and data are approved. All records are forwarded for final review and processing to N/CS33, Atlantic Hydrographic Branch.

The Data Acquisition and Processing Report for OPR-D304-TJ-11 is submitted separately and contains additional information relevant to this survey.

Approved and Forwarded:

 Digitally signed by  
Michael C. Davidson  
Date: 2012.06.02  
23:17:28 -04'00'



LT Michael Davidson, NOAA  
Field Operations Officer

CDR Lawrence T. Krepp, NOAA  
Commanding Officer

In addition, the following individuals were also responsible for overseeing data acquisition and processing of this survey:

Survey Managers:

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Michael C. Davidson  
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for ERT Intern John R. Kidd

## APPENDIX I

### TIDES AND WATER LEVEL



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
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May 20, 2011

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Requirements and Development Division, N/OPS1

FROM: CDR Lawrence T. Krepp, NOAA Ship THOMAS JEFFERSON (MOA-TJ)

SUBJECT: Request for Approved Tides/Water Levels

Please provide the following data:

1. Tide Note
2. Final zoning in MapInfo and .MIX format
3. Six Minute Water Level data (Co-ops web site)

Transmit data to the following:

NOAA/NOS/Atlantic Hydrographic Branch  
N/CS33, Building #2  
439 West York Street  
Norfolk, VA 23510  
ATTN: Chief AHB

NOAA Ship Thomas Jefferson  
439 West York Street  
Norfolk, VA 23510  
ATTN: CDR Lawrence T. Krepp

These data are required for the processing of the following hydrographic survey:

Project No.: OPR-D304-TJ-11  
Registry No.: H12309  
State: Virginia  
Locality: Approaches to Chesapeake Bay  
Sublocality: 29 NM East of Cape Henry

Attachments containing:

- 1) an Abstract of Times of Hydrography,
- 2) digital MID MIF files of the track lines from Pydro

cc: N/CS33  
MOA-TJ



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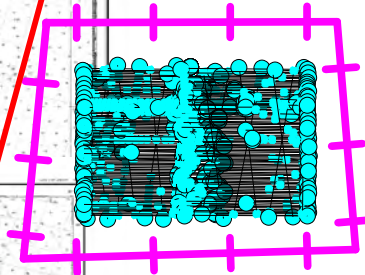
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2011_109	00:21:50	23:54:30
2011_110	00:16:04	23:52:06
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2011_117	00:26:59	22:51:29
2011_119	15:12:06	23:54:09
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National Ocean Service  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910



Preliminary as Final Tidal Zoning  
for OPR-D304-TJ-2011, H12309  
Approaches to Chesapeake Bay, VA



SA46  
Time Corrector 0 mins  
Range Corrector x 1.08  
Reference 8651370

SOUNDINGS IN FEET

SOUNDINGS IN FEET

(Cape Henry to Currituck Beach Light)  
12207  
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8651370 DUCK, FRF PIER



APPENDIX II

SUPPLEMENTAL SURVEY RECORDS  
AND CORRESPONDENCE

From	<a href="mailto:Michael.Davidson@noaa.gov">&lt;Michael.Davidson@noaa.gov&gt;</a>	
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Bcc		
Subject	TJ beginning work on OPR-D304-TJ-11	
Attachments	<a href="#">Draft_OPR-D304-TJ-11_ApproachesToChesapeakeBay_Instructions-1.pdf</a>	1.2MB

Mid-Atlantic Nav Manager(s),

NOAA Ship Thomas Jefferson will begin survey operations on OPR-D304-TJ-11 on Wednesday evening or Thursday morning. We will begin working on the sheets labeled Sheet 1 and Sheet 7 first. I will be contacting Mr. T.D. Woodward, USACE regarding our survey operations as required in our project instructions (see attached). Please feel free to notify any of our local interests of our survey operations as you see fit.

Let me know if you have any questions or need any further information. Once we receive our final project instruction, I will forward a courtesy copy.

Thank you for your time.

V/R,  
Mike

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From	<a href="mailto:CO.Thomas.Jefferson@noaa.gov">CO Thomas Jefferson &lt;CO.Thomas.Jefferson@noaa.gov&gt;</a>
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Bcc	
Subject	Re: Tasker: sounding density requirements for SSS surveys

Jeff and Jim,

It appears that the June 2009 BOH recommendation to relax the resolution and density requirements for skunk stripe surveys was never fully implemented into policy in the HSSD.

On our current survey we are having trouble getting 5 soundings per 2m node in the outer beams in 30m of water in heavier weather. In order to meet the specification as it now stands, TJ would have to do one of the following:

- 1) Turn off the multibeam and use a singlebeam instead.
- 2) Slow down, reducing our efficiency and increasing our cost by about 30%.
- 3) Reduce swath coverage from full coverage to a narrow strip of multibeam at a higher density.

If we follow the June 2009 agreement, we don't have to do any of these things. Since it appears from this correspondence to have been your intent to approve this proposal, TJ will continue with the current survey as if it were approved, unless otherwise directed. Specifically:

- 1) Reduce the resolution requirement to 2m less than 20m of water, and 4m from 20-40m. It is not envisioned that we would do skunk stripe surveys deeper than 40m.
- 2) Relax the density requirement to 1 sounding per node. We will undoubtedly exceed this handily, but the point is, we don't want ships slowing down or doing extra work to meet an unnecessary density requirement.

3) All features, as noted elsewhere in the S&D, need to be gridded at OD resolutions.

V/R,

Shep

CDR Shepard Smith, NOAA  
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On 8/6/2009 6:33 PM, CO Thomas Jefferson wrote:

- > Hi Jeremy,
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- > The gist of the June decision on this topic was:
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- > Background: When the "complete" coverage specs were upgraded to 1m
- > resolution last winter, the linkage to skunk stripe MB requirements
- > meant that these grids got affected as well. Since the object
- > detection in SSS surveys is achieved using the SSS, we don't need high
- > resolution grids to demonstrate coverage. In fact, singlebeam in the
- > same circumstance would be sufficient. So, we can relax the gridding
- > spec for grids on 200% SSS surveys to:
- >
- > 1) Reduce the resolution requirement to 2m less than 20m of water,
- > and 4m from 20-40m. It is not envisioned that we would do skunk
- > stripe surveys deeper than 40m.
- > 2) Relax the density requirement to 1 sounding per node. We will
- > undoubtedly exceed this handily, but the point is, we don't want ships
- > slowing down or doing extra work to meet an unnecessary density
- > requirement.
- > 3) All features, as noted elsewhere in the S&D, need to be gridded at
- > OD resolutions.
- > Shep
- >
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> Jeremy McHugh wrote:

>> Hi Guys,

>> I have been assigned to "review the current specs & deliverables, FPM  
>> and HTD to get background information on the current requirements to  
>> note where they will need to be updated and generate a draft HTD to  
>> better define or remove the density requirement when conduction 200%  
>> SSS surveys with concurrent MB or SB".

>>

>> I just finished refreshing my memory about what the Specs have to say  
>> on this topic of skunk-stripe MB data being acquired concurrently  
>> with SSS imagery. It makes sense to me and I don't yet see a problem  
>> with the Specs. Any old HTD's would have been incorporated in the  
>> Specs by now, so I did not go rooting through the HTDs. The FPM is  
>> silent on this topic.

>>

>> So that I can understand the issue better, what part of the following  
>> excerpt from the Specs is unclear or confusing:

>>

>> 5.1.2.3 Set Line Spacing The hydrographer shall conduct multibeam and  
>> single

>> beam operations at the line spacing specified in the Hydrographic  
>> Survey Project Instructions

>> or Statement of Work. For example, set line spacing may be employed  
>> in the

>> following scenarios: (1) when acquiring multibeam data concurrently  
>> with side scan

>> sonar operations (sometimes referred to as "skunk-stripe" coverage,  
>> where the side

>> scan swath is wider than the multibeam swath) and (2) when acquiring  
>> single beam

>> data in areas that are too shallow for efficient multibeam  
>> operations, or otherwise too

>> risky of an area to use multibeam equipment.

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>> • For multibeam operations the requirements are the same within the  
>> swath, as for

>> Complete Coverage above. Note: that in a "skunk striping" scenario  
>> (see above)

>> elements of object detection are also in operation, due to side scan  
>> sonar data

>> coverage and any associated contact scanning requirements.  
>>  
>> It sounds straightforward to me, but I may be missing something. I  
>> would appreciate any insight you have into the root of the confusion  
>> that led to this issue being put before the board of hydrographers.  
>> Thanks,  
>> Jeremy  
>>  
>> james.m.crocker wrote, On 8/6/2009 2:49 PM:  
>>> Jeremy,  
>>>  
>>> At a past BOH meeting the following topic was discussed and action  
>>> item assigned.  
>>> c) Skunk stripe density requirements, Shep noted that TJ is running  
>>> the ship at a reduced speed in  
>>> order to meet feature detection multibeam specs, which is not really  
>>> necessary when the project calls for  
>>> 200% side-scan sonar coverage. There was general agreement that this  
>>> was not needed and will be  
>>> clarified in the Project Instructions in the short term and Ops will  
>>> review the specs for the longer term  
>>> fix.  
>>>  
>>> ACTION: Ops will draft an HTD and review the specs to resolve the  
>>> issue.  
>>>  
>>> Would you please review the current specs & deliverables, FPM and  
>>> HTD to get background information on the current requirements to note  
>>> where they will need to be updated and generate a draft HTD to  
>>> better define or remove the density requirement when conduction  
200%  
>>> SSS surveys with concurrent MB or SB.  
>>>  
>>> Let me know if you have any questions.  
>>>  
>>> Jim



Michael Davidson <michael.davidson@noaa.gov>

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## H12309 Request for Tides

1 message

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**Michael.Davidson@noaa.gov** <Michael.Davidson@noaa.gov>

Fri, May 20, 2011 at 10:16 PM

To: Final.Tides@noaa.gov

Cc: CO.Thomas.Jefferson@noaa.gov, OPS.Thomas.Jefferson@noaa.gov, James.M.Crocker@noaa.gov, Richard.T.Brennan@noaa.gov, Lucy.Hick@noaa.gov, John Kidd <John.Kidd@noaa.gov>, Lori Knell <Lori.Knell@noaa.gov>

Attached is the Request for Tides package for OPR-D304-TJ-11 - Approaches to Chesapeake Bay, VA; H12309 - 29 NM East of Cape Henry, VA.

V/R,  
Mike

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**H12309\_Request\_for\_Tides.zip**

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[Cristina Urizar <Cristina.Urizar@noaa.gov>](mailto:Cristina.Urizar@noaa.gov) Wednesday, June 1, 2011 9:51 am  
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D304-TJ-2011, Registry No. H12309

DATE: 06/01/2011

MEMORANDUM FOR: CDR Larry Krepp  
Commanding Officer, NOAA

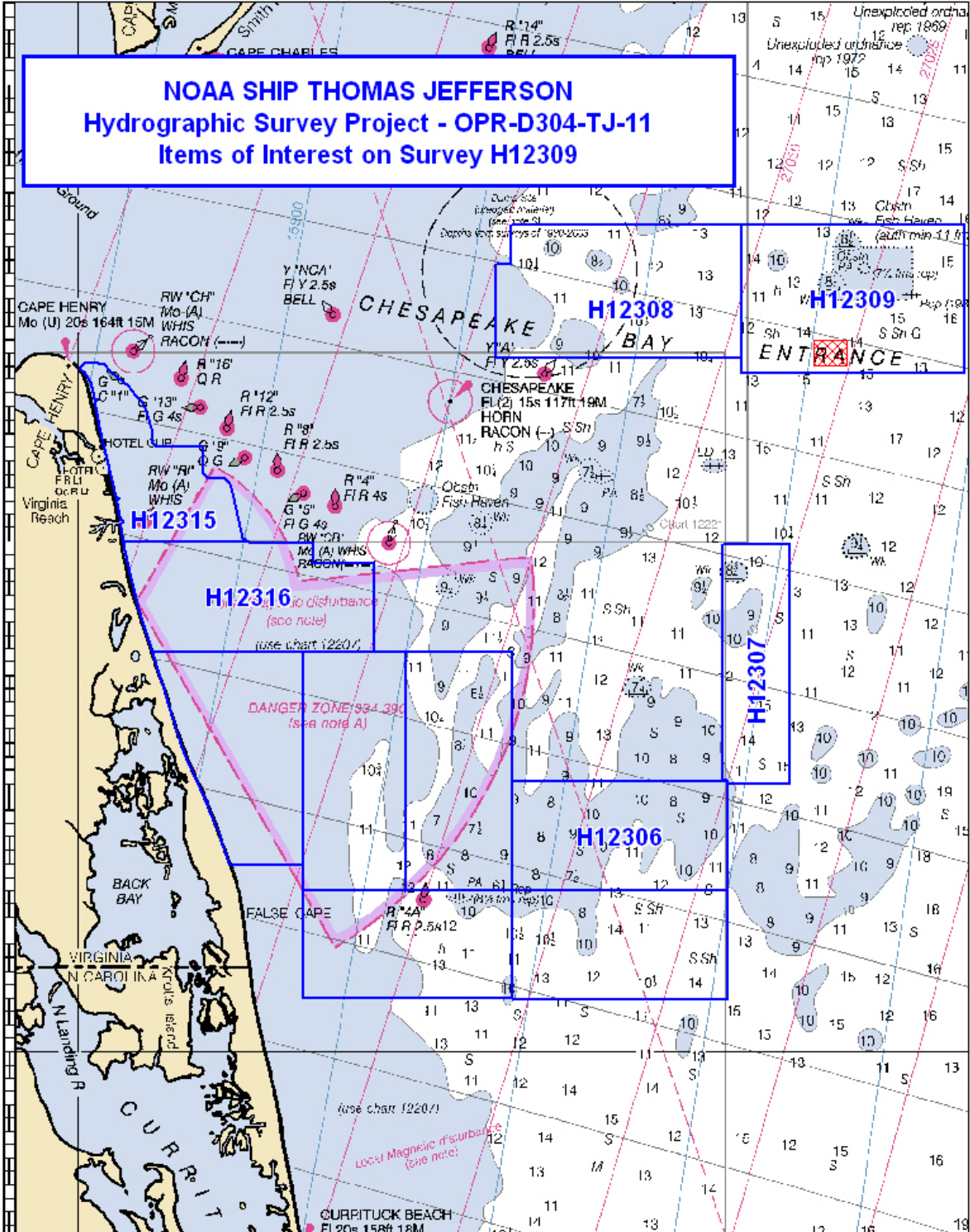
Ship Thomas Jefferson

FROM: Gerald Hovis  
Chief, Products and  
Services Branch, N/OPS3

SUBJECT: Delivery of Tide Requirements for Hydrographic Surveys

This is notification that the preliminary zoning is accepted as the final zoning for survey project OPR-D304-TJ-2011, registry No. H12309 during the time period between April 5 and May 10, 2011. The accepted reference station for registry No. H12309 is Duck, NC (865-1370).

Included with this memo is the Tide Note in .PDF format, stating the preliminary zoning has been accepted as the final zoning.



**Subject:** Re: Bottom Sample submission  
**From:** Gene Parker <Castle.E.Parker@noaa.gov>  
**Date:** Mon, 31 Jan 2011 11:47:48 -0500  
**To:** "ops.thomas.jefferson" <OPS.Thomas.Jefferson@noaa.gov>

Good day Mark,

Submit both. HSSD specifies both in two areas of the document. First one needs to comply with HSSD; if the TJ wants to make the Hob file, then they have gone beyond the minimum requirements. If the TJ doesn't do it, then AHB would have to as long as the BS is within the Pydro PSS. Reference HSSD Section 8.2 S57 Feature File, paragraph 6:

The S-57 feature file contains all the attributed information on specific objects that cannot be portrayed in a simple depth grid. Features to include in the S-57 feature file include; wrecks, obstructions, shoreline, rocks, islets, oil platforms, nature of seabed (bottom samples) and all other objects that may need to be compiled to a navigational product and require additional information that cannot be included in the BAG.

The Pydro PSS is in lieu of the S57 format file.

We could make the hob from the table, but since the TJ has done this, submit both the Hob file and the table contained in DR Appendix 5. Place the Hob file in the PSS directory which has contained all features in NOAA PSS format as in the past. If the TJ is going to submit the hob file, the source would be the table, so HSSD specifies delivery of both. If the TJ only submitted the table, AHB would have to generate the feature objects. If the TJ creates the hob file, then submit it.

gene

ops.thomas.jefferson wrote:

Gene,

We will be submitting .HOB files for the bottom samples in addition to the summary table found in the supplemental survey records and correspondence section of the DR. It is my understanding that the table is only used to create the .HOB anyways. A recommendation will need to be made that either the table either be omitted or be used in place of the .hob file. Only the summary table is mention in the HSSD april 2010 version. If there are any other issues with this idea please let us know.

Mark

Castle Eugene Parker <[castle.e.parker@noaa.gov](mailto:castle.e.parker@noaa.gov)>

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**Subject:** Re: Crossline comparison

**From:** Chris van Westendorp <Christiaan.VanWestendorp@noaa.gov>

**Date:** Thu, 10 Sep 2009 13:00:35 -0400

**To:** "mark.blankenship" <Mark.Blankenship@noaa.gov>

**CC:** LCDR Rick Brennan <Richard.T.Brennan@noaa.gov>, Castle Parker <Castle.E.Parker@noaa.gov>, Edward Owens <Edward.Owens@noaa.gov>, LT Jasper Schaer <jasper.schaer@noaa.gov>, CDR Shep Smith <Shep.Smith@noaa.gov>, Daniel Wright <Daniel.Wright@noaa.gov>

Mark,

Per 5.1.4.3 of the HSSD, AHB authorizes TJ to use the Standard Deviation layer to conduct surface difference comparison and analysis on future survey submissions of multibeam data. This meets the crossline comparison requirement laid out in HSSD.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need for further clarification.

R/

LCDR Chris van Westendorp, NOAA

mark.blankenship wrote:

Chris,

You mentioned in the meeting today that AHB was not going to require the multiple CUBE surface comparison, instead allowing us to use a single surface standard deviation layer to do our checks with. Is there any memo coming out for that?

Mark

LCDR Chris van Westendorp <[christiaan.vanwestendorp@noaa.gov](mailto:christiaan.vanwestendorp@noaa.gov)>

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Michael Davidson <michael.davidson@noaa.gov>

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**RE: Survey Submission Structure for passback surveys**

1 message

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**Castle Parker** <castle.e.parker@noaa.gov>  
To: Michael Davidson <michael.davidson@noaa.gov>

Thu, May 10, 2012 at 3:23 PM

Mike,

I concur. Speaking for AHB, I will accept this deviation from the deliverable specifications. I think that it's important for the directory structure to be consistent at the time of survey submission. Please include this accepted spec deviation in DR Appendix 5.

Thanks for your consideration with this subject and I completely agree with you.

Regards,

Gene

**From:** Michael Davidson [mailto:michael.davidson@noaa.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 10, 2012 3:01 PM  
**To:** Castle Parker  
**Subject:** Survey Submission Structure for passback surveys

Gene,

TJ has a few surveys that were passed back for additional work. In the next several weeks, we will be submitting surveys from 2009, 2010, 2011, followed soon there after by current surveys from 2012. In an attempt to make things consistent, I would like to submit all the surveys according to the 2012 Specs and Deliverables. Before doing this, I wanted to check with you to see if this would be considered non-compliant with S&D for the prior year surveys.

If AHB agrees with our proposal to submit all surveys in the 2012 Directory Structure, please email back concurrence and I will include this email thread in Appendix V for documentation.

Thank you for your time.

V/R,

Mike

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LT Michael C. Davidson

APPENDIX III  
FEATURES REPORT  
(NO DTONS OR MARITIME BOUNDARIES)

# H12309\_AWOIS Items

Registry Number: H12309

State: Virginia

Locality: Approaches to Chesapeake Bay

Sub-locality: 29 NM East of Cape Henry

Project Number: OPR-D304-TJ-11

Survey Date: 05/10/2011

## Charts Affected

Number	Edition	Date	Scale (RNC)	RNC Correction(s)*
12200	49th	06/01/2007	1:419,706 (12200_1)	[L]NTM: ?
13003	49th	04/01/2007	1:1,200,000 (13003_1)	[L]NTM: ?

\* Correction(s) - source: last correction applied (last correction reviewed--"cleared date")

## Features

No.	Name	Feature Type	Survey Depth	Survey Latitude	Survey Longitude	AWOIS Item
1.1	AWOIS 14905 - Triangle Reef Fish Haven	AWOIS	[no data]	[no data]	[no data]	---
1.2	AWOIS #880-LILLIAN LUCKENBACH-charted dangerous wreck wire drag cleared to 8 fm.	Wreck	19.98 m	36° 58' 33.2" N	075° 24' 47.2" W	880
1.3	AWOIS #903 - John Morgan	Wreck	22.76 m	37° 00' 05.1" N	075° 24' 28.3" W	903
1.4	AWOIS #14907 - Charted Obstruction PA (71/2 fms rep)	Obstruction	27.96 m	36° 59' 00.0" N	075° 22' 60.0" W	14907
1.5	AWOIS #14904 charted non-dangerous wreck, depth unknown, rep (1988)	Wreck	23.89 m	36° 58' 09.7" N	075° 21' 30.4" W	14904

## 1.1) AWOIS #14905 - AWOIS 14905 - Triangle Reef Fish Haven

### No Primary Survey Feature for this AWOIS Item

**Search Position:** 36° 58' 55.7" N, 075° 23' 14.9" W  
**Historical Depth:** 20.12 m  
**Search Radius:** 0  
**Search Technique:** [None]  
**Technique Notes:** [None]

#### History Notes:

CL366/71 CL 1844/71 -- PROPOSED ARTIFICIAL REEF NAMED TRIANGLE REEF TO BE CONSTRUCTED OF SMALL VESSELS UP TO 450' LONG. PLANNED CENTER IS 16 MILES - 072 DEGREES TRUE FROM CHESAPEAKE LIGHT STATION. REEF MEASURES APPROXIMATELY 3 MILES (E-W) BY 2 MILES (N-S). PLANNED LEAST DEPTH IS APPROXIMATELY 66 FEET.

### Survey Summary

**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

#### Remarks:

[None]

### Feature Correlation

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
AWOIS_EXPORT	AWOIS # 14905	0.00	000.0	Primary

### Hydrographer Recommendations

[None]

### S-57 Data

[None]

## Office Notes

Feature area taken from ENC US3DE01M and verified from wrecks found during survey acquisition using MBES and SSS, but not addressed on its own as an area feature.

COMPILATION: Revise AWOIS 14905 (Fish Haven) limits to include AWOIS #14907 (Charted Obstruction PA (71/2 fms rep)).

AWOIS 14907 was found inside the limits of AWOIS 14905, during the present survey, with a least depth of 15 fm which exceeds the min depth of the fish haven.

Revise ENC to include AWOIS 14907 as part of AWOIS 14905.

## 1.2) US 0001375462 00001 / H12309\_AWOIS Items.000

### Primary Feature for AWOIS Item #880

**Search Position:** 36° 58' 34.5" N, 075° 25' 03.7" W  
**Historical Depth:** 15.54 m  
**Search Radius:** 0  
**Search Technique:** [None]  
**Technique Notes:** [None]

#### History Notes:

HISTORY

CHARTED AS WD CLEAR TO 8.5 FM, SURVEY NOT DETERMINED

DESCRIPTION

24 NO.415; CARGO, 6369 GT; SUNK 3/27/43 BY MARINE CASUALTY; POSITION ACCUR.

1 MILE; REPORTED DEMOLISHED THRU THE SALVAGE SECT, BUR OF SHIPS; WD CLEAR TO 51 FT ON 8/4/44 REPORTED THRU CGS.

27 NO.729; CARGO, 6389 GT SUNK 3/27/43; WD 8/4/44 AND HAS AN LD OF 44 FT.

### Survey Summary

**Survey Position:** 36° 58' 33.2" N, 075° 24' 47.2" W  
**Least Depth:** 19.98 m (= 65.56 ft = 10.927 fm = 10 fm 5.56 ft)  
**TPU ( $\pm 1.96\sigma$ ):** THU (TPEh) [None] ; TVU (TPEv) [None]  
**Timestamp:** 2011-130.00:00:00.000 (05/10/2011)  
**Dataset:** H12309\_AWOIS Items.000  
**FOID:** US 0001375462 00001(02260014FCE60001)  
**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

#### Remarks:

WRECKS/remrks: AWOIS #880. Found by SSS and MBES. This wreck is located within the charted limits of AWOIS #14905 - Triangle Reef fish haven. The least depth of the wreck is less than the authorized minimum depth of the fish haven by approximately 0.125 meters.

### Feature Correlation

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
H12309_AWOIS Items.000	US 0001375462 00001	0.00	000.0	Primary
AWOIS_EXPORT	AWOIS # 880	408.13	096.0	Secondary (grouped)



## Hydrographer Recommendations

Delete charted dangerous wreck cleared by wire drag. Update AWOIS database such that AWOIS #880 is combined with AWOIS #14905 - Triangle Reef fish haven.

### Cartographically-Rounded Depth (Affected Charts):

10  $\frac{3}{4}$ fm (12200\_1, 13003\_1)

## S-57 Data

**Geo object 1:** Wreck (WRECKS)  
**Attributes:** CATWRK - 2:dangerous wreck  
CONVIS - 2:not visual conspicuous  
NINFOM - Add wreck  
QUASOU - 6:least depth known  
SORDAT - 20110510  
SORIND - US,US,graph,H12309  
TECSOU - 2,3:found by side scan sonar,found by multi-beam  
VALSOU - 19.983 m  
WATLEV - 3:always under water/submerged

## Office Notes

SAR: AWOIS #880, 20m wreck, found at survey position using MBES and SSS. Wreck has least depth of 20m (10.9fm) and is just within limits of fish haven (AWOIS 19405) with minimum depth of 11 fm.

COMPILATION: AWOIS #880 charted dangerous wreck wire drag cleared to 8 fm, found at present survey position using MBES and SSS. Present survey wreck has least depth of 10.9 fm and is just within limits of fish haven (AWOIS 19405). Least depth of this wreck is less than fish haven auth min depth.

Delete charted wreck, add wreck, least depth 10.927 fm in present survey location inside limits of fish haven.

Update AWOIS database.

## Feature Images

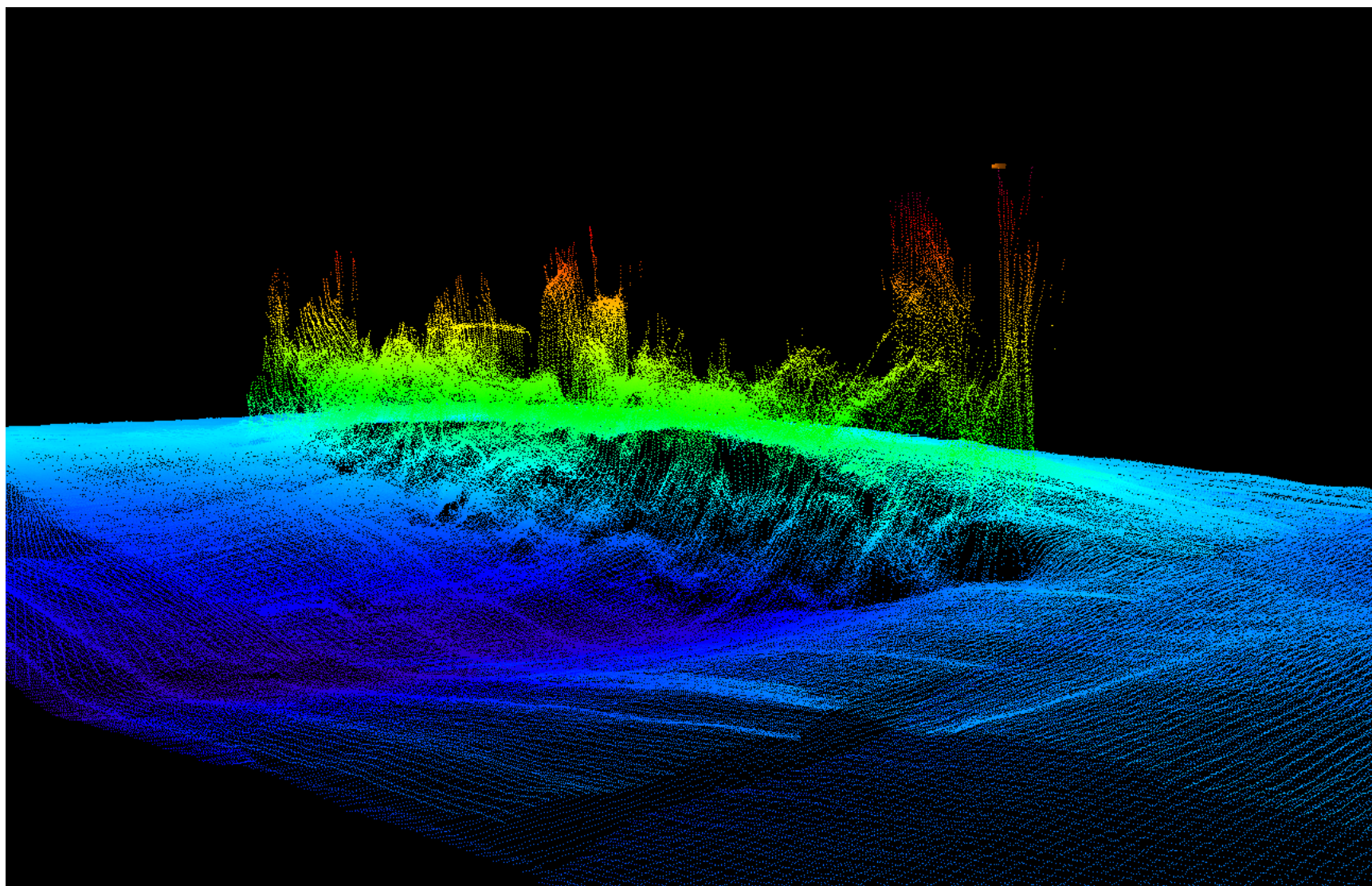
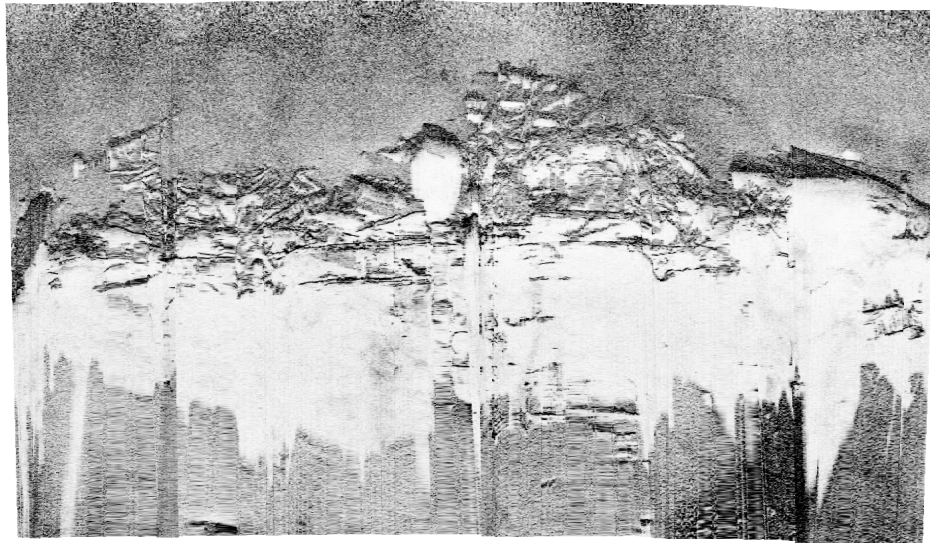


Figure 1.2.1



*Figure 1.2.2*

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### 1.3) US 0001375474 00001 / H12309\_AWOIS Items.000

#### Primary Feature for AWOIS Item #903

**Search Position:** 37° 00' 05.5" N, 075° 24' 23.7" W  
**Historical Depth:** [None]  
**Search Radius:** 0  
**Search Technique:** ##  
**Technique Notes:** [None]

#### History Notes:

CHARTED AS WD CLEAR TO 8.5 FM, SURVEY NOT DETERMINED  
 NM22/44--BUOY PREVIUOSLY ESTABLISHED IN 96 FT AT LAT.37-00-05N, LONG.75-24-51W  
 HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED. THERE IS A DEPTH OF 55 FT OVER THE WRECK.

#### DESCRIPTION

24 NO.426; CARGO, 7176 GT; SUNK 6/1/43 BY MARINE CASUALTY; REPORTED AT  
 37-00-05N, 75-24-51W THRU 5TH NAVAL DISTRICT HQ 4/10/44

POSITION ACCURACY 1 MILE; UNKNOWN SOURCE REPORTED DEMOLISHED; WD  
 CLEARED TO 55 FT BY CGS.

27 NO.748; CARGO 4384 NT, SUNK 6/1/43; WK DISCONTINUED AND CLEARED TO 55 FT  
 AT MLW BY WD BY U.S.C G.S.

Fieldnote:

Proprietary:

11 4384 NT, WAS SUNK 6/1/43. TORPEDOED BY GERMAN SUB.

20 FTR, 7176 TONS; SANK JUNE 1, 1943; 55 FT OVER WK.

#### Survey Summary

**Survey Position:** 37° 00' 05.1" N, 075° 24' 28.3" W  
**Least Depth:** 22.76 m (= 74.66 ft = 12.443 fm = 12 fm 2.66 ft)  
**TPU ( $\pm 1.96\sigma$ ):** THU (TPEh) [None] ; TVU (TPEv) [None]  
**Timestamp:** 2011-130.00:00:00.000 (05/10/2011)  
**Dataset:** H12309\_AWOIS Items.000  
**FOID:** US 0001375474 00001(02260014FCF20001)  
**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

Remarks:

WRECKS/remrks: AWOIS #903 John Morgan. Found with SSS and MBES. There is a debris field extending several hundred meters to the northwest from the primary structure of the wreck. It is believed that the debris is part of the John Morgan wreck. Wreck lies approximately 100m north of the northern limit of the Triangle Reef fish haven as currently charted. The least depth of this wreck is deeper than the charted authorized minimum depth for the fish haven.

### Feature Correlation

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
H12309_AWOIS Items.000	US 0001375474 00001	0.00	000.0	Primary
AWOIS_EXPORT	AWOIS # 903	115.30	263.9	Secondary (grouped)

### Hydrographer Recommendations

Update WRECK. Update AWOIS database with new position and least depth. Delete wiredrag symbol. Additional consideration should be given to extending the northern limit of the fish haven to include the wreckage of John Morgan - AWOIS #903, and then delete the dangerous wreck symbol all together.

#### Cartographically-Rounded Depth (Affected Charts):

12fm (12200\_1, 13003\_1)

### S-57 Data

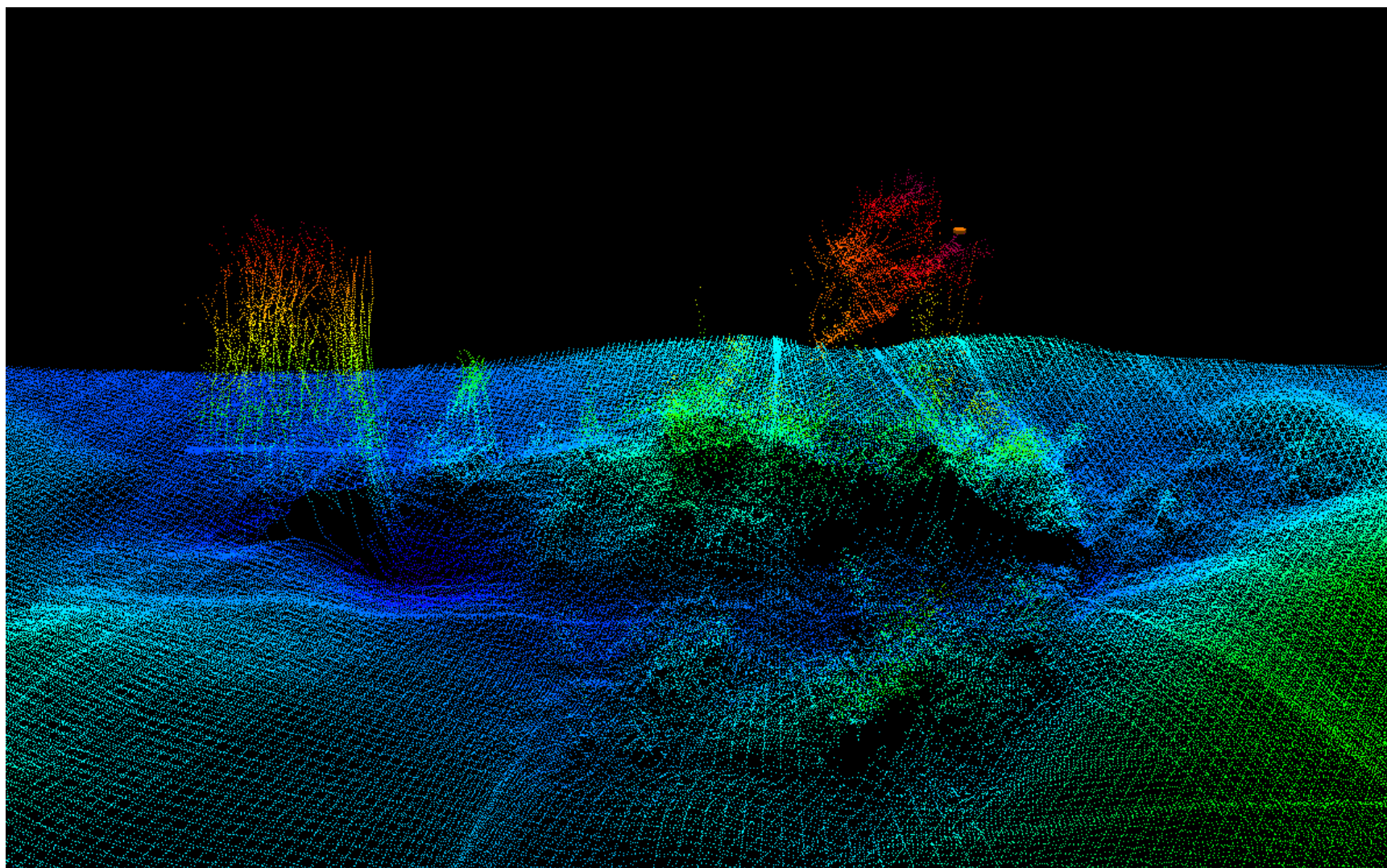
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**Attributes:** CATWRK - 1:non-dangerous wreck  
 CONVIS - 2:not visual conspicuous  
 EXPSOU - 2:shoaler than range of depth of the surrounding depth area  
 NINFOM - Add Wreck  
 QUASOU - 6:least depth known  
 SORDAT - 20110510  
 SORIND - US,US,graph,H12309  
 TECSOU - 2,3:found by side scan sonar,found by multi-beam  
 VALSOU - 22.756 m  
 WATLEV - 3:always under water/submerged

### Office Notes

SAR: 22.8m wreck (AWOIS 903) found at survey position using SSS and MBES. Debris from wreck extends northwest where a wreck feature is positioned at 37-00-08.6083N, 075-24-31.5842W.

COMPILATION: Concur. Delete charted 8 1/2 fm wire drag cleared wreck. Add non-dangerous wreck, least depth 12.4 fm in present survey location.

## Feature Images



*Figure 1.3.1*

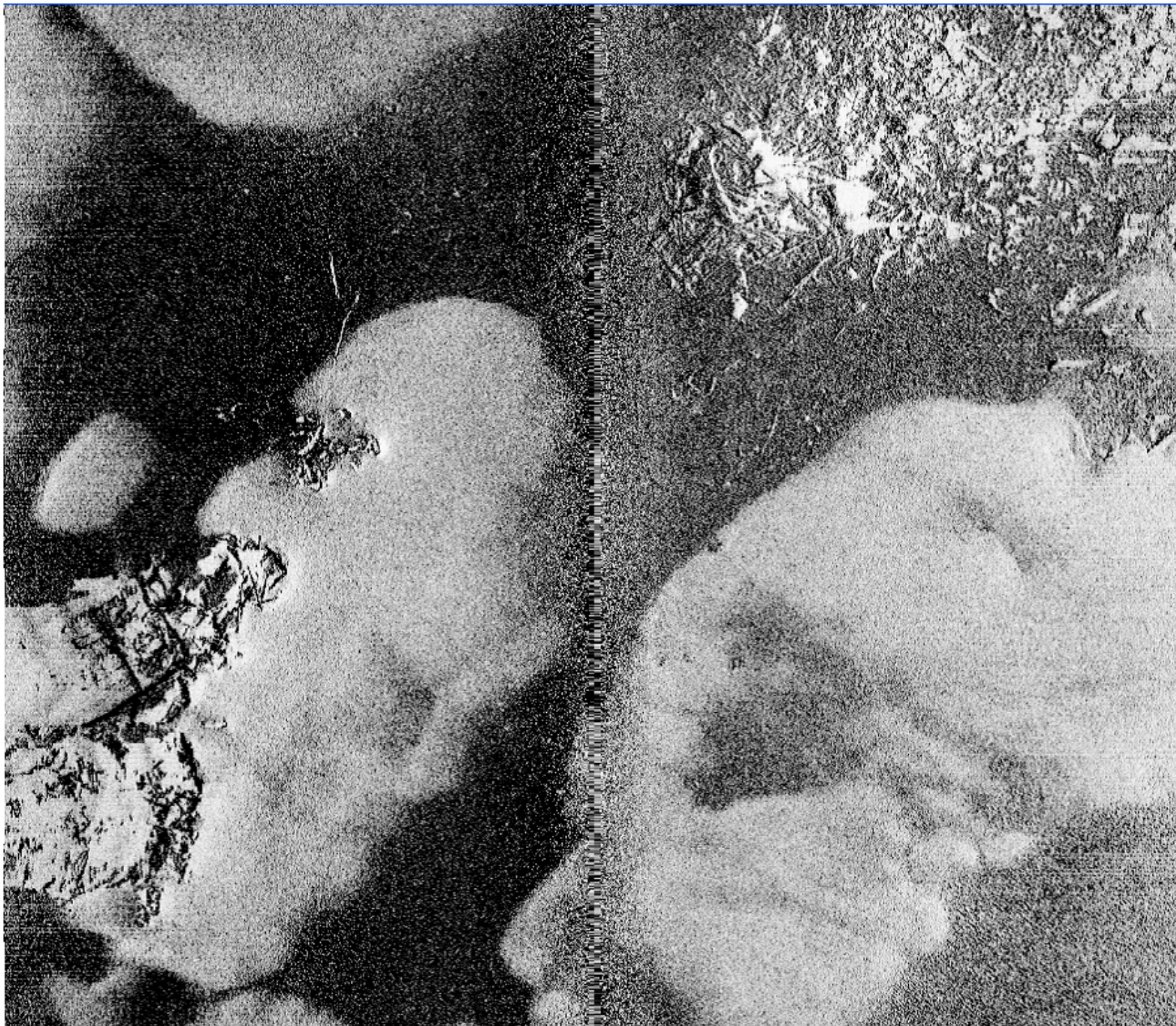
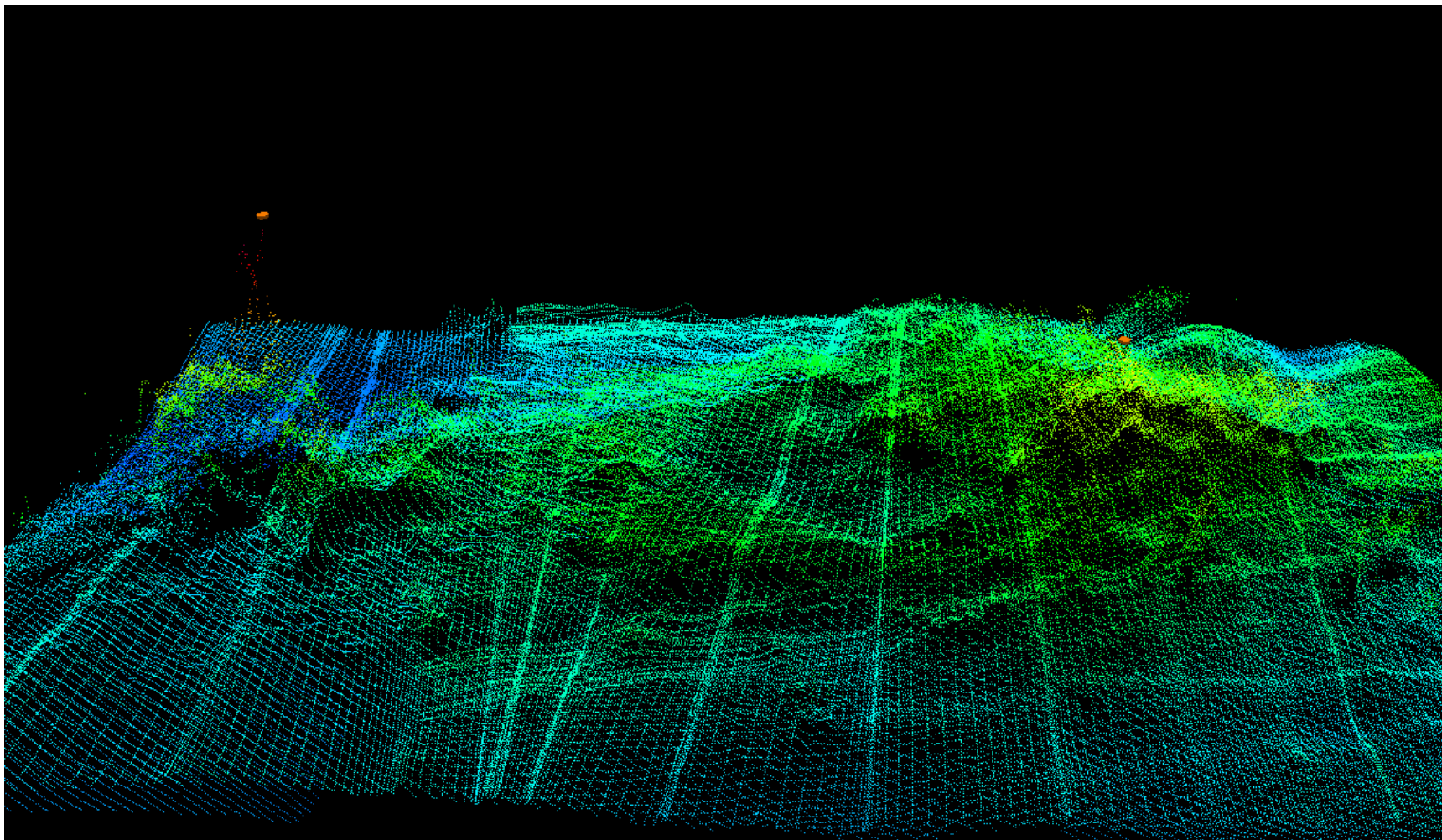


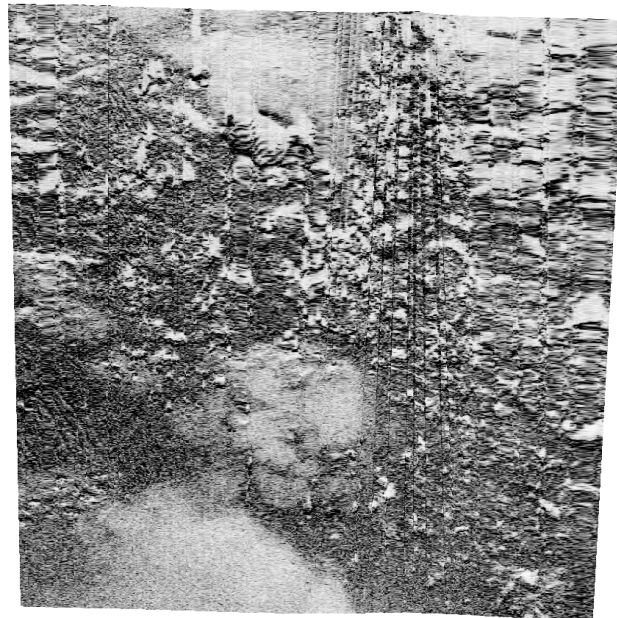
Figure 1.3.2



*Figure 1.3.3*

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*Figure 1.3.4*

**1.4) US 0001376964 00001 / H12309\_AWOIS\_2.000****Primary Feature for AWOIS Item #14907**

**Search Position:** 36° 59' 13.3" N, 075° 23' 34.0" W  
**Historical Depth:** 13.72 m  
**Search Radius:** 1000  
**Search Technique:** MBES, SSS  
**Technique Notes:** VERIFY EXISTENCE OF CHARTED OBSTN PA (7 1/2 FMS REP)

**History Notes:**

UNKNOWN -- OBSTN PA (7 1/2 FMS REP) ADDED TO CHART CIRCA 1959-1961. (LAH 4/4/2011)

**Survey Summary**

**Survey Position:** 36° 59' 00.0" N, 075° 22' 60.0" W  
**Least Depth:** 27.96 m (= 91.74 ft = 15.290 fm = 15 fm 1.74 ft)  
**TPU ( $\pm 1.96\sigma$ ):** THU (TPEh) [None] ; TVU (TPEv) [None]  
**Timestamp:** 2011-130.00:00:00.000 (05/10/2011)  
**Dataset:** H12309\_AWOIS\_2.000  
**FOID:** US 0001376964 00001(0226001502C40001)  
**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

**Remarks:**

OBSTRN/remrks: AWOIS 14907. Found by SSS and MBES. Least depth over this obstruction is deeper than the charted authorized minimum depth of the fish haven in which it is located (Triangle Reef - AWOIS #14905).

**Feature Correlation**

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
H12309_AWOIS_2.000	US 0001376964 00001	0.00	000.0	Primary
AWOIS_EXPORT	AWOIS # 14907	934.14	116.0	Secondary (grouped)

**Hydrographer Recommendations**

Delete charted Obstn PA and text "(7-1/2 fms Rep)". Update the AWOIS data base to combine the reported obstruction from AWOIS #14907 with AWOIS #14905 - Triangle Reef fish haven.

**Cartographically-Rounded Depth (Affected Charts):**

15fm (12200\_1, 13003\_1)

## S-57 Data

**Geo object 1:** Obstruction (OBSTRN)  
**Attributes:** NINFOM - do not chart - for pydro to link only  
QUASOU - 6:least depth known  
SORDAT - 20110510  
SORIND - US,US,graph,H12309  
TECSOU - 2,3:found by side scan sonar,found by multi-beam  
VALSOU - 27.963 m  
WATLEV - 3:always under water/submerged

## Office Notes

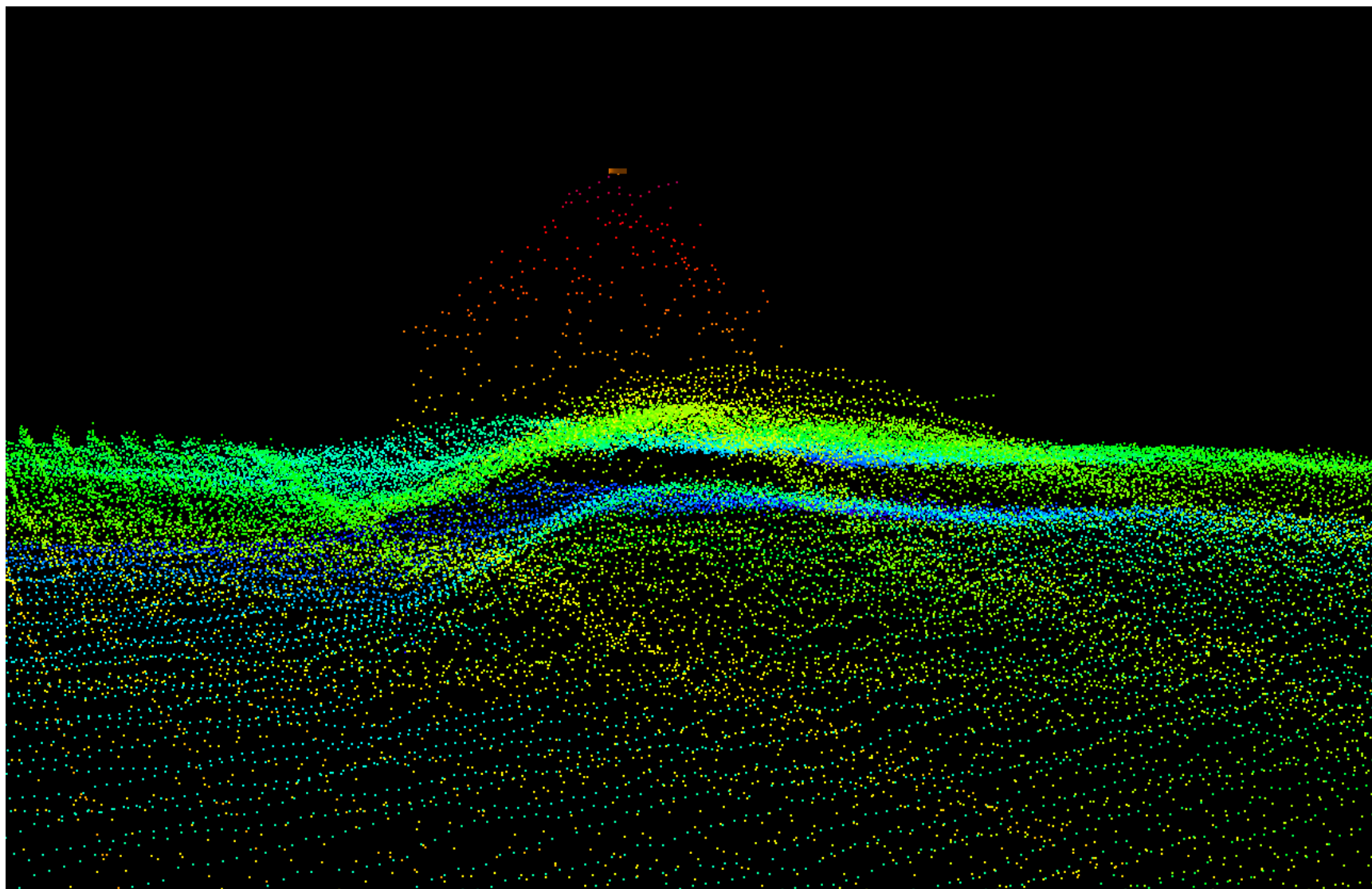
SAR: AWOIS #14907 found by SSS and MBES at survey position. Least depth of 27.9m (15.3 fm) exceeds minimum depth of 11 fm.

COMPILATION: AWOIS 14907 is an Obstruction PA (71/2 fms rep) charted in Latitude 36-59-12.62N, Longitude 075-23-33.02W. This feature was found by the present survey with a least depth of 15 fm in Latitude 36-59-00.04N, Longitude 075-23-00.00W, inside the limits of AWOIS 14905, the fish haven. Since AWOIS 14907 is inside the limits of AWOIS 14905 and the least depth is deeper than the authorized min depth of the fish haven, it is recommended AWOIS 14907 is not charted.

It is further recommended the database for AWOIS 14907 is updated to reflect the present survey findings.

It is further recommended the hole in AWOIS 14905 representing the location of AWOIS 14907 is deleted.

## Feature Images



*Figure 1.4.1*

**1.5) US 0000222874 00001 / H12309\_AWOIS\_2.000****Primary Feature for AWOIS Item #14904**

**Search Position:** 36° 58' 12.0" N, 075° 21' 30.0" W  
**Historical Depth:** [None]  
**Search Radius:** 1000  
**Search Technique:** SWMB, SSS  
**Technique Notes:** VERIFY EXISTENCE OF SUBMERGED WK.

**History Notes:**

L-527/1988 -- 180 FT STEEL HULLED VESSEL SUNK AT POSITION OBSERVED 06 APR 1988 BY USS HOIST IN 17 FM OF WATER. POSITION TAKEN FROM LORAN 'C'. TD'S USED AT TIME OF OBSERVATION HAD HIGH SNR'S (LAH 4/4/2011)

**Survey Summary**

**Survey Position:** 36° 58' 09.7" N, 075° 21' 30.4" W  
**Least Depth:** 23.89 m (= 78.38 ft = 13.063 fm = 13 fm 0.38 ft)  
**TPU ( $\pm 1.96\sigma$ ):** THU (TPEh) [None] ; TVU (TPEv) [None]  
**Timestamp:** 2011-130.00:00:00.000 (05/10/2011)  
**Dataset:** H12309\_AWOIS\_2.000  
**FOID:** US 0000222874 00001(02260003669A0001)  
**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

**Remarks:**

WRECKS/remrks: AWOIS 14904. Found by SSS and MBES. While this wreck was assigned as a unique AWOIS item, it lies within the charted fish haven "Triangle Reef" - AWOIS #14905. The least depth on this wreck (13.06 fm) is deeper than the charted authorized minimum of 11 fms.

**Feature Correlation**

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
H12309_AWOIS_2.000	US 0000222874 00001	0.00	000.0	Primary
AWOIS_EXPORT	AWOIS # 14904	72.90	188.8	Secondary (grouped)

**Hydrographer Recommendations**

Delete wreck symbol. Delete text "Rep (1988)" in position 36°58'09.670" , -075°21'30.451". Update AWOIS database to append information for AWOIS #14904 into item #14905 Triangle Reef, then remove #14904 from the AWOIS database.

**Cartographically-Rounded Depth (Affected Charts):**

13fm (12200\_1, 13003\_1)

**S-57 Data**

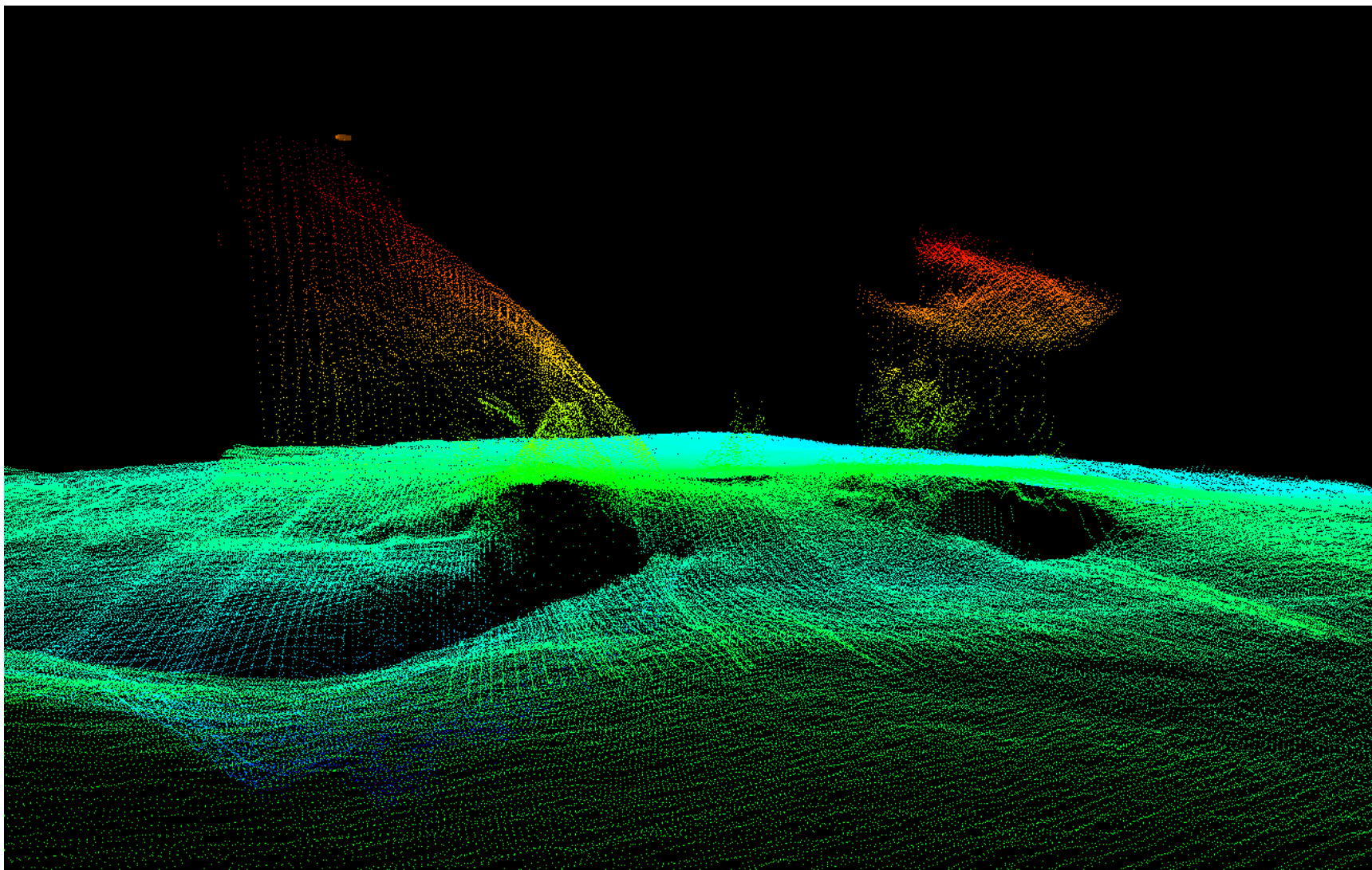
**Geo object 1:** Wreck (WRECKS)  
**Attributes:** CATWRK - 1:non-dangerous wreck  
NINFOM - do not chart - for pydro to link only  
QUASOU - 6:least depth known  
SORDAT - 20110510  
SORIND - US,US,graph,H12309  
TECSOU - 2,3:found by side scan sonar,found by multi-beam  
VALSOU - 23.889 m  
WATLEV - 3:always under water/submerged

**Office Notes**

SAR: AWOIS 14904, 23.9m wreck, was found using MBES and SSS. Wreck is within fish haven (AWOIS 14905) and has a least depth (13.06fm) deeper than minimum depth of fish haven (11fm).

COMPILATION: Concur. AWOIS 14904 is a non-dangerous wreck, depth unknown, rep (1988). This feature was found by the present survey with a least depth of 13 fm inside the limits of AWOIS 14905, the fish haven. Since AWOIS 14904 is now inside the limits of AWOIS 14905 and the least depth is deeper than the authorized min depth of the fish haven, it is recommended AWOIS 14904 is not charted. It is further recommended the database for AWOIS 14904 is updated to reflect the present survey findings.

## Feature Images



*Figure 1.5.1*



*Figure 1.5.2*



# H12309\_Wrecks

**Registry Number:**

**State:**

**Locality:**

**Sub-locality:**

**Project Number:**

**Survey Date:** 05/10/2011

## Charts Affected

Number	Edition	Date	Scale (RNC)	RNC Correction(s)*
12200	49th	06/01/2007	1:419,706 (12200_1)	[L]NTM: ?
13003	49th	04/01/2007	1:1,200,000 (13003_1)	[L]NTM: ?

\* Correction(s) - source: last correction applied (last correction reviewed--"cleared date")

## Features

No.	Name	Feature Type	Survey Depth	Survey Latitude	Survey Longitude	AWOIS Item
1.1	Wreckage	Wreck	26.94 m	36° 58' 01.8" N	075° 23' 00.3" W	---
1.2	Amphibious Landing Craft 2	Wreck	26.35 m	37° 00' 03.1" N	075° 22' 14.9" W	---
1.3	Wreck - least depth for Triangle Reef	Wreck	19.57 m	36° 59' 21.3" N	075° 21' 47.2" W	---

## 1.1) US 0001375602 00001 / H12309\_WRECKS.000

### Survey Summary

**Survey Position:** 36° 58' 01.8" N, 075° 23' 00.3" W  
**Least Depth:** 26.94 m (= 88.39 ft = 14.731 fm = 14 fm 4.39 ft)  
**TPU ( $\pm 1.96\sigma$ ):** THU (TPEh) [None] ; TVU (TPEv) [None]  
**Timestamp:** 2011-130.00:00:00.000 (05/10/2011)  
**Dataset:** H12309\_WRECKS.000  
**FOID:** US 0001375602 00001(02260014FD720001)  
**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

#### Remarks:

WRECKS/remrks: Debris from what appears to be an old wreck found by SSS and MBES. Little bathy relief over the remains of the wreck.

### Feature Correlation

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
H12309_WRECKS.000	US 0001375602 00001	0.00	000.0	Primary

### Hydrographer Recommendations

Add non-dangerous wreckage.

#### Cartographically-Rounded Depth (Affected Charts):

14fm (12200\_1, 13003\_1)

### S-57 Data

**Geo object 1:** Wreck (WRECKS)  
**Attributes:** CATWRK - 3:distributed remains of wreck  
 CONVIS - 2:not visual conspicuous  
 EXPSOU - 2:shoaler than range of depth of the surrounding depth area  
 NINFOM - Add wreckage  
 QUASOU - 6:least depth known  
 SORDAT - 20110510  
 SORIND - US,US,graph,H12309  
 VALSOU - 26.940 m

WATLEV - 3:always under water/submerged

## Office Notes

SAR: 26.9m wreck found at survey position using MBES and SSS.

COMPILATION: Concur with conditions. Add non-dangerous wreckage area least depth 14.7 fm in present survey position to encompass uncharted features to south of fish haven.

## Feature Images

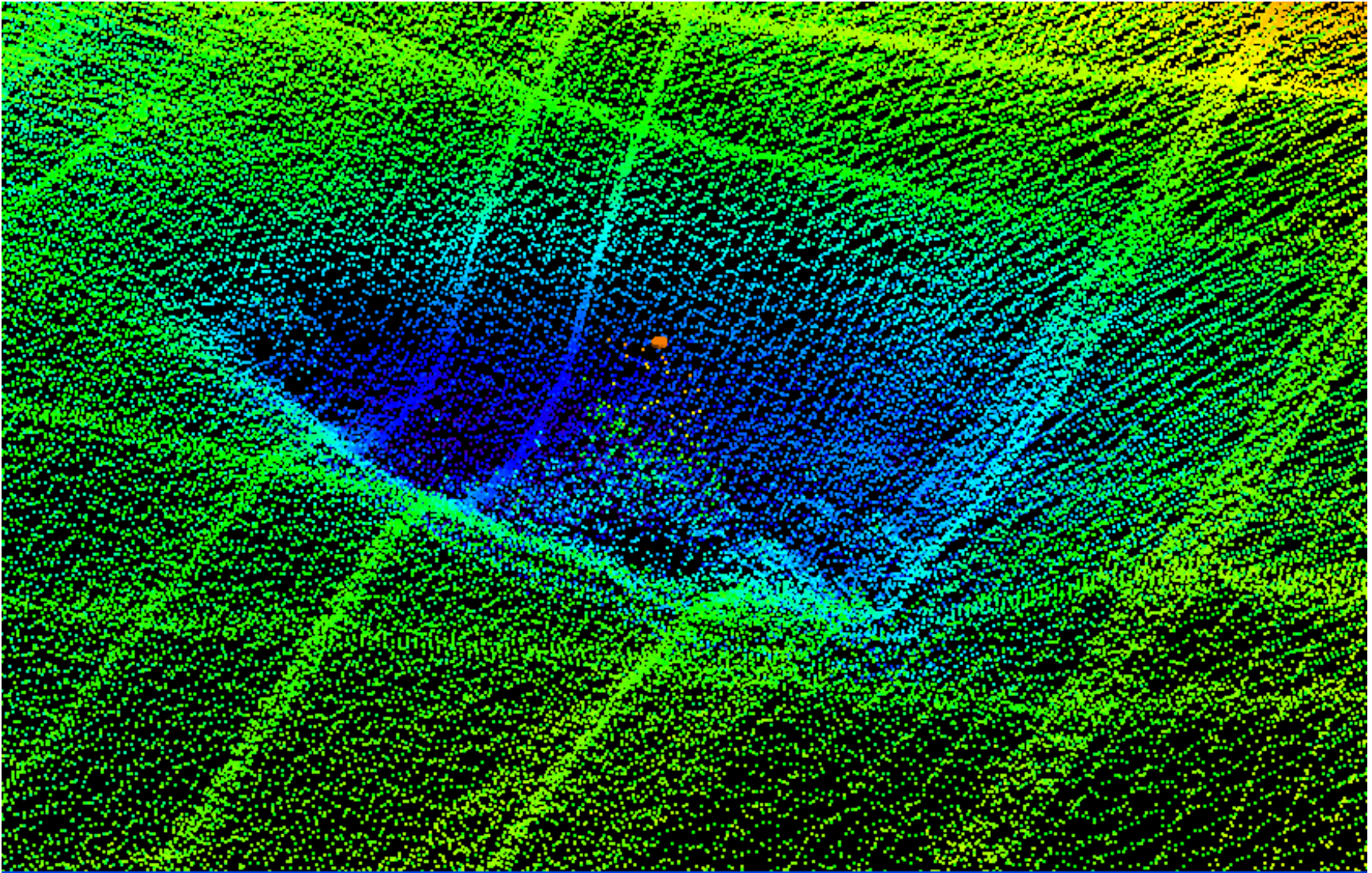
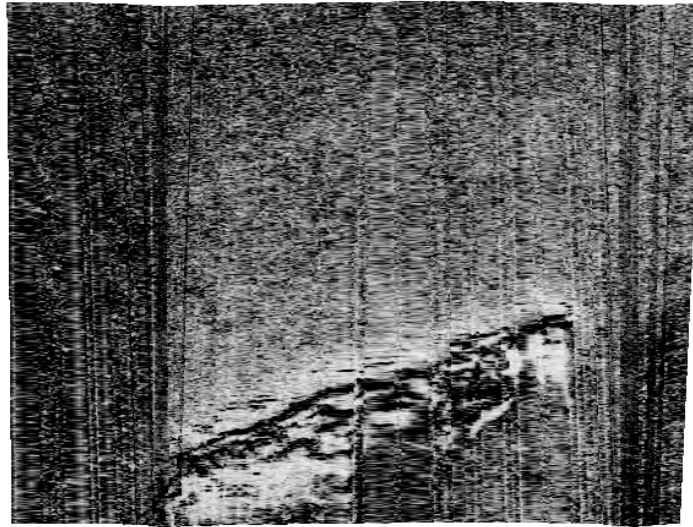


Figure 1.1.1



*Figure 1.1.2*

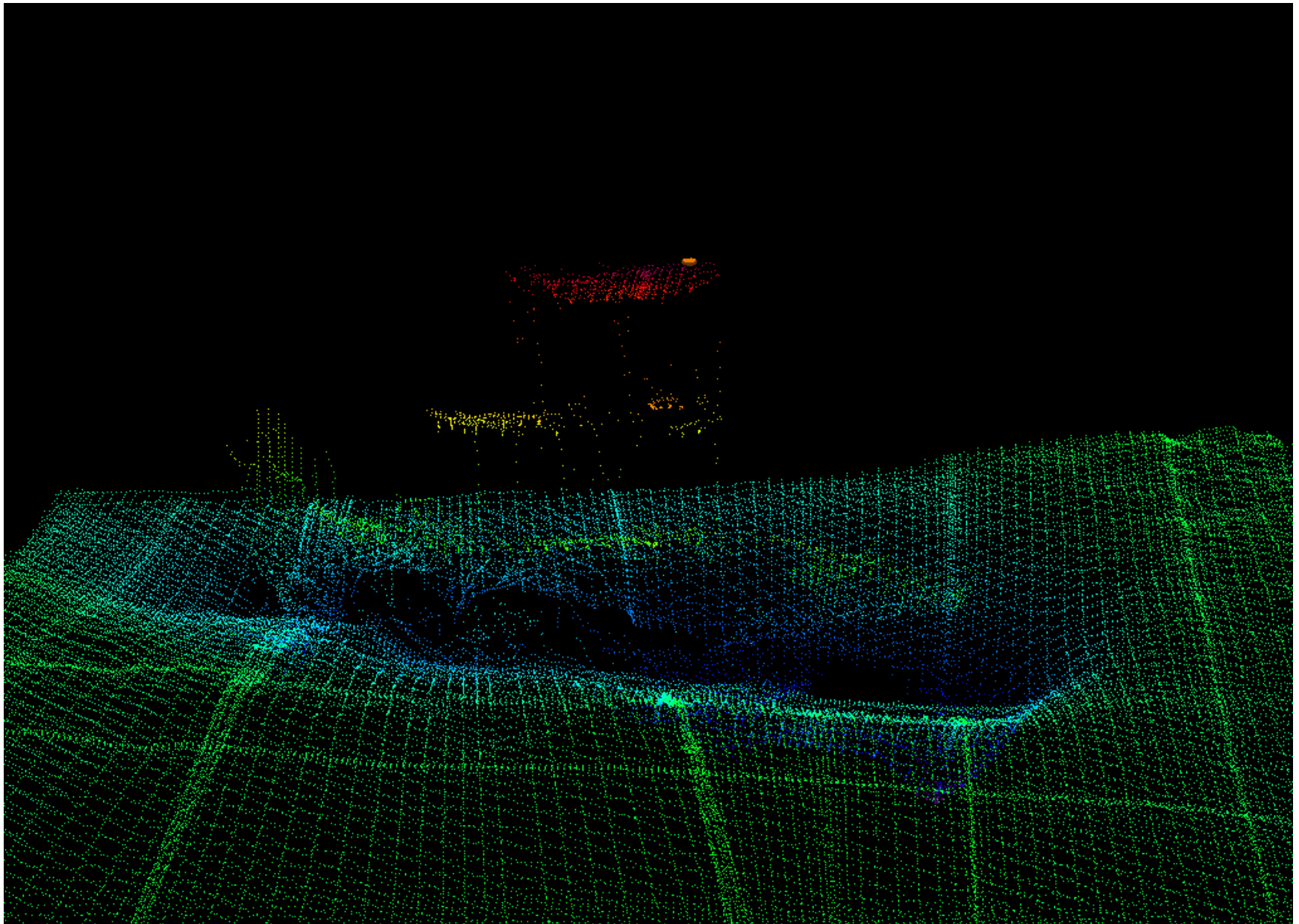
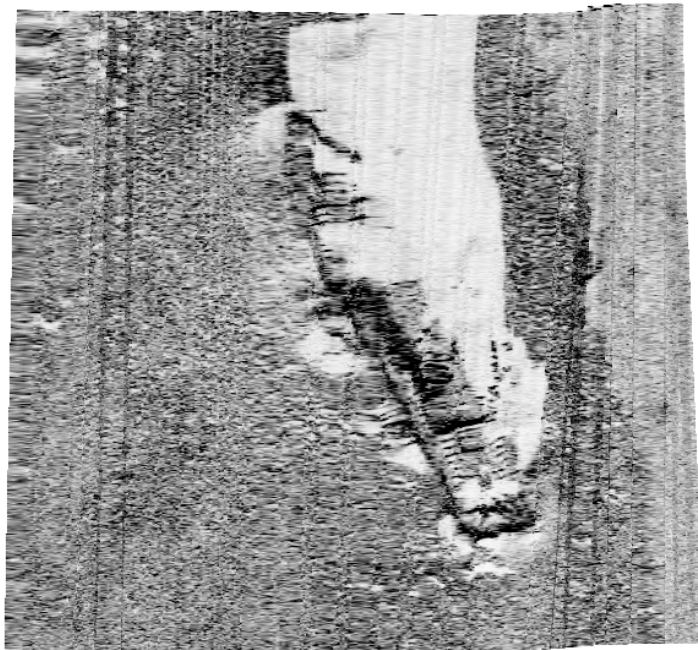


Figure 1.1.3



*Figure 1.1.4*

## 1.2) US 0001376970 00001 / H12309\_WRECKS.000

### Survey Summary

**Survey Position:** 37° 00' 03.1" N, 075° 22' 14.9" W  
**Least Depth:** 26.35 m (= 86.46 ft = 14.410 fm = 14 fm 2.46 ft)  
**TPU ( $\pm 1.96\sigma$ ):** THU (TPEh) [None] ; TVU (TPEv) [None]  
**Timestamp:** 2011-130.00:00:00.000 (05/10/2011)  
**Dataset:** H12309\_WRECKS.000  
**FOID:** US 0001376970 00001(0226001502CA0001)  
**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

#### Remarks:

WRECKS/remrks: Wreck of Amphibious Landing Craft found by SSS and MBES. This feature is located just outside the limits for the Triangle Reef fish haven. The least depth on this feature is deeper than the charted authorized minimum for the fish haven. If the item were an obstruction, the height would be insignificant in this water depth. There is another almost identical wreck located 775m to the west, which is just inside the limits of the fish haven.

### Feature Correlation

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
H12309_WRECKS.000	US 0001376970 00001	0.00	000.0	Primary

### Hydrographer Recommendations

This feature should be included as one of the many wrecks comprising AWOIS #14905 Triangle Reef, despite the location being approximately 30m north of the charted limit of the fish haven. Update AWOIS # 14905 Triangle Reef to include the description of this wreck. Recommend no charting action be taken for this particular wreck.

#### Cartographically-Rounded Depth (Affected Charts):

14fm (12200\_1, 13003\_1)

### S-57 Data

**Geo object 1:** Wreck (WRECKS)  
**Attributes:** CATWRK - 2:dangerous wreck  
 CONVIS - 2:not visual conspicuous  
 EXPSOU - 2:shoaler than range of depth of the surrounding depth area  
 NINFOM - Add wrecks  
 QUASOU - 6:least depth known



SORDAT - 20110510

SORIND - US,US,graph,H12309

TECSOU - 3,2:found by multi-beam,found by side scan sonar

VALSOU - 26.353 m

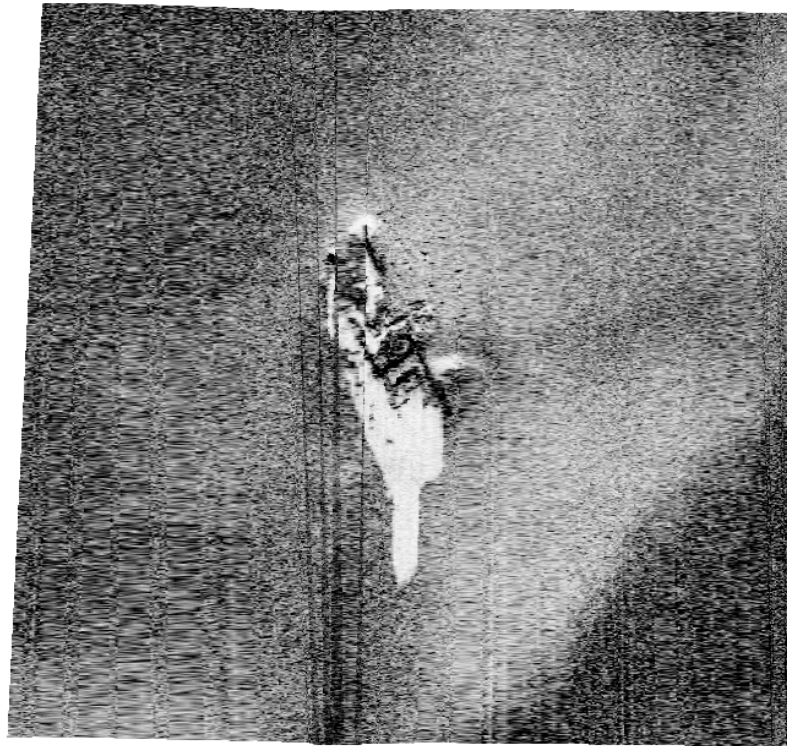
WATLEV - 3:always under water/submerged

## Office Notes

SAR: Feature submitted as secondary and no description with a pending new feature 16m to the north. Current feature changed to new and primary by SAR personnel due to least depth. Feature is listed as an OBSTRN, while field unit refers to feature as a WRECK in "remarks" and "recommendations."

COMPILATION: Concur with conditions. Add non-dangerous wrecks with a least depth 14.4 fm in present survey position to encompass uncharted features to north of fish haven.

## Feature Images



*Figure 1.2.1*

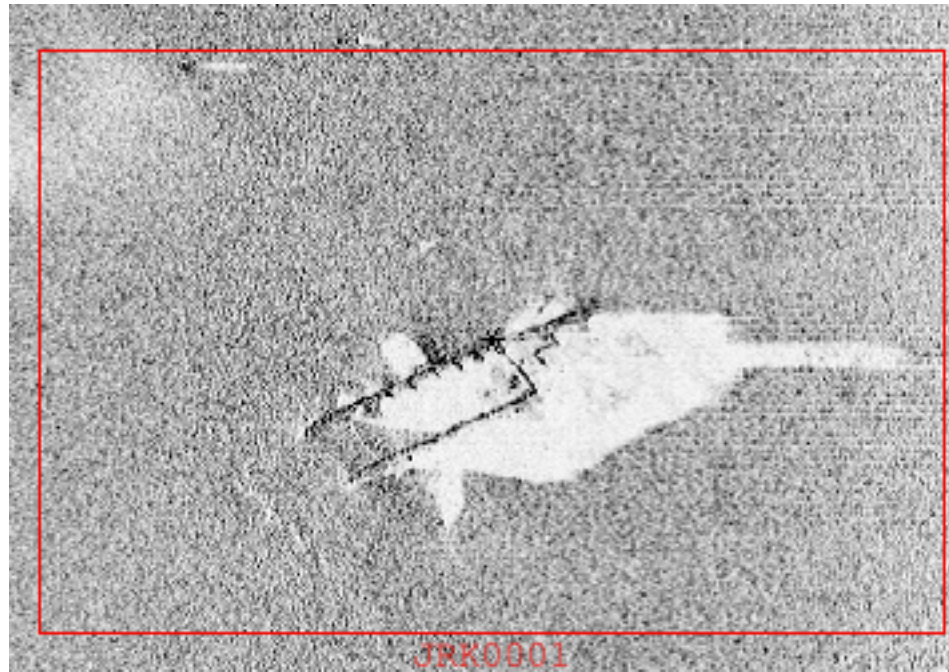


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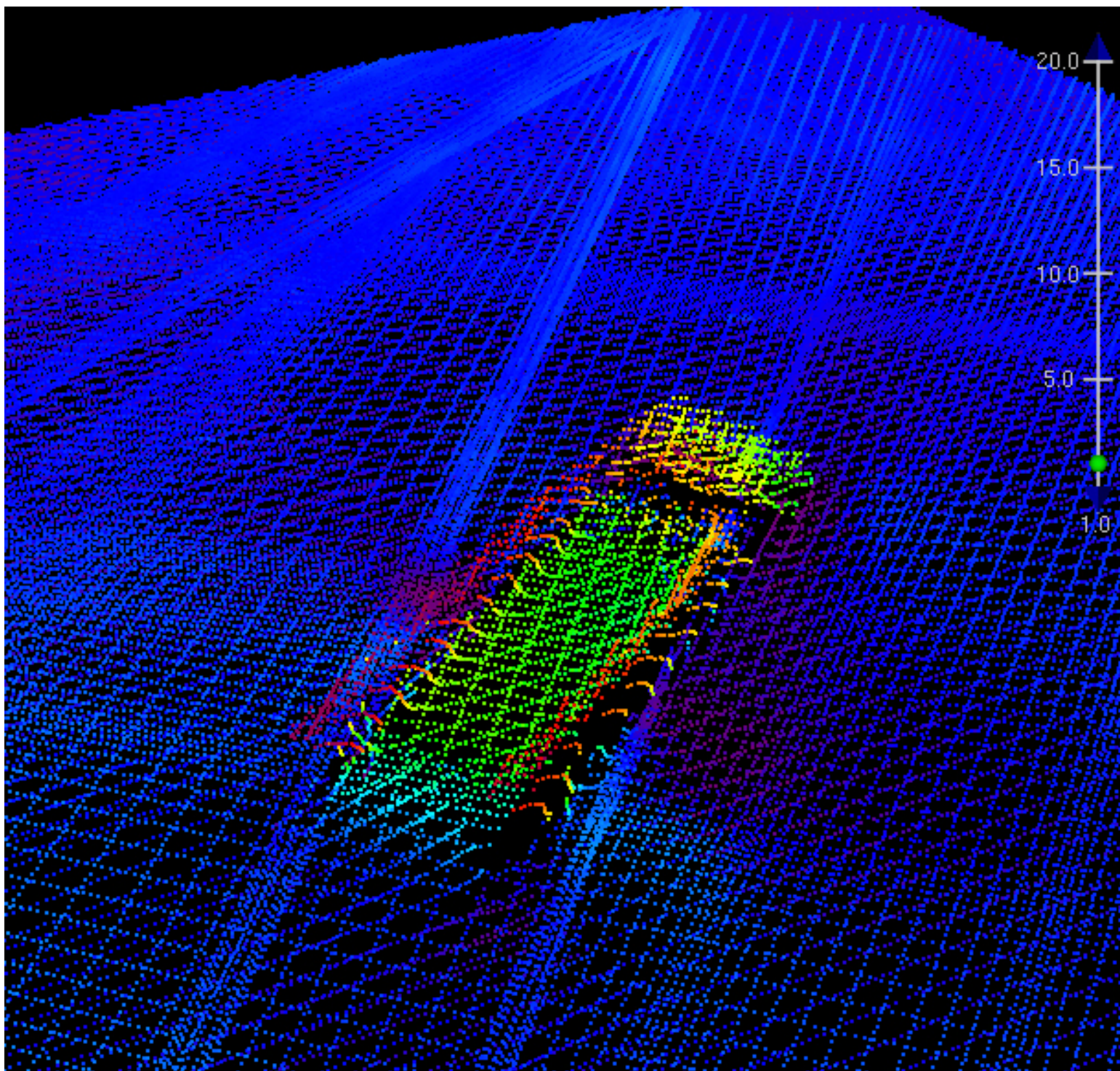


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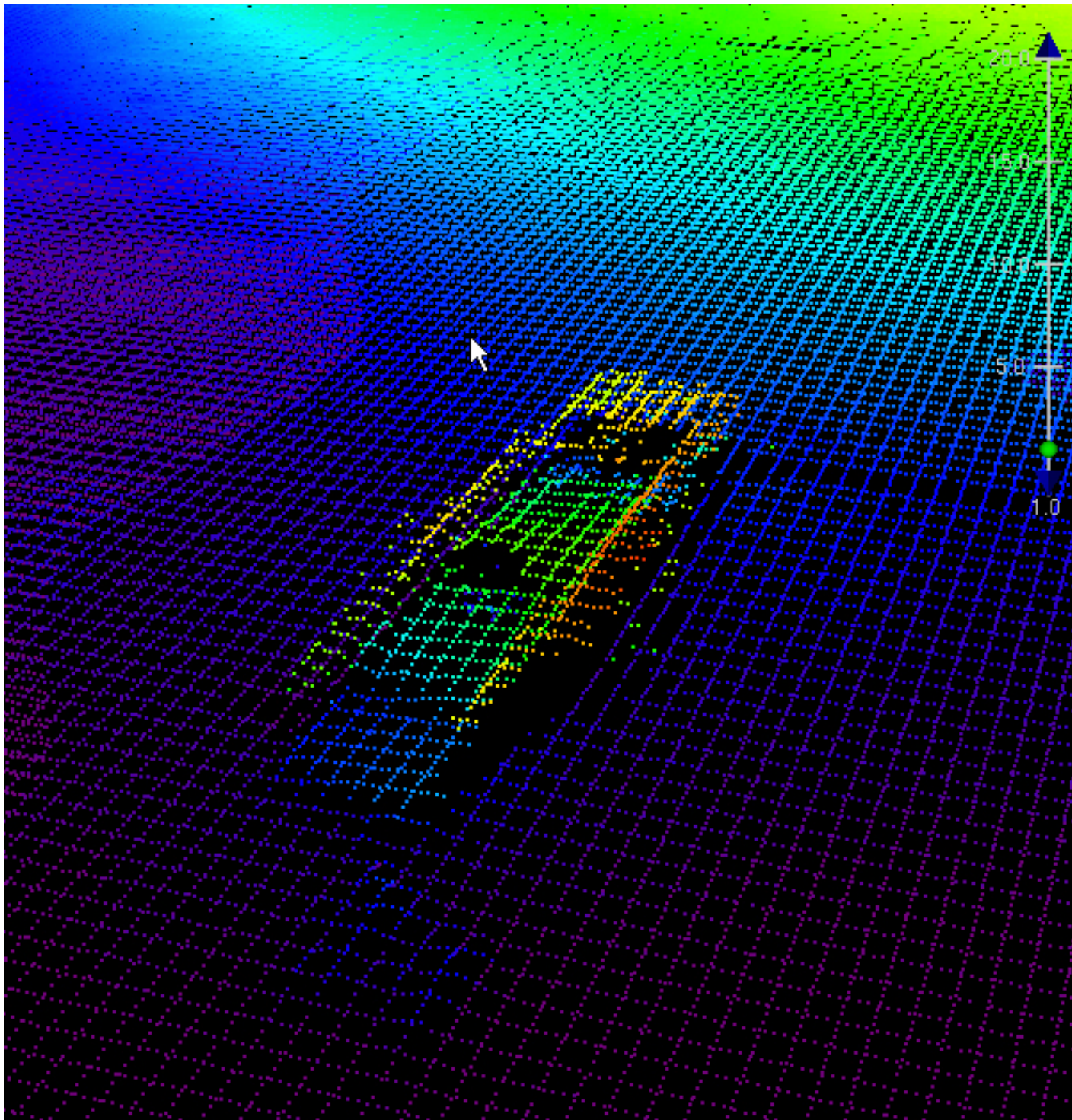


Figure 1.2.4



Figure 1.2.5

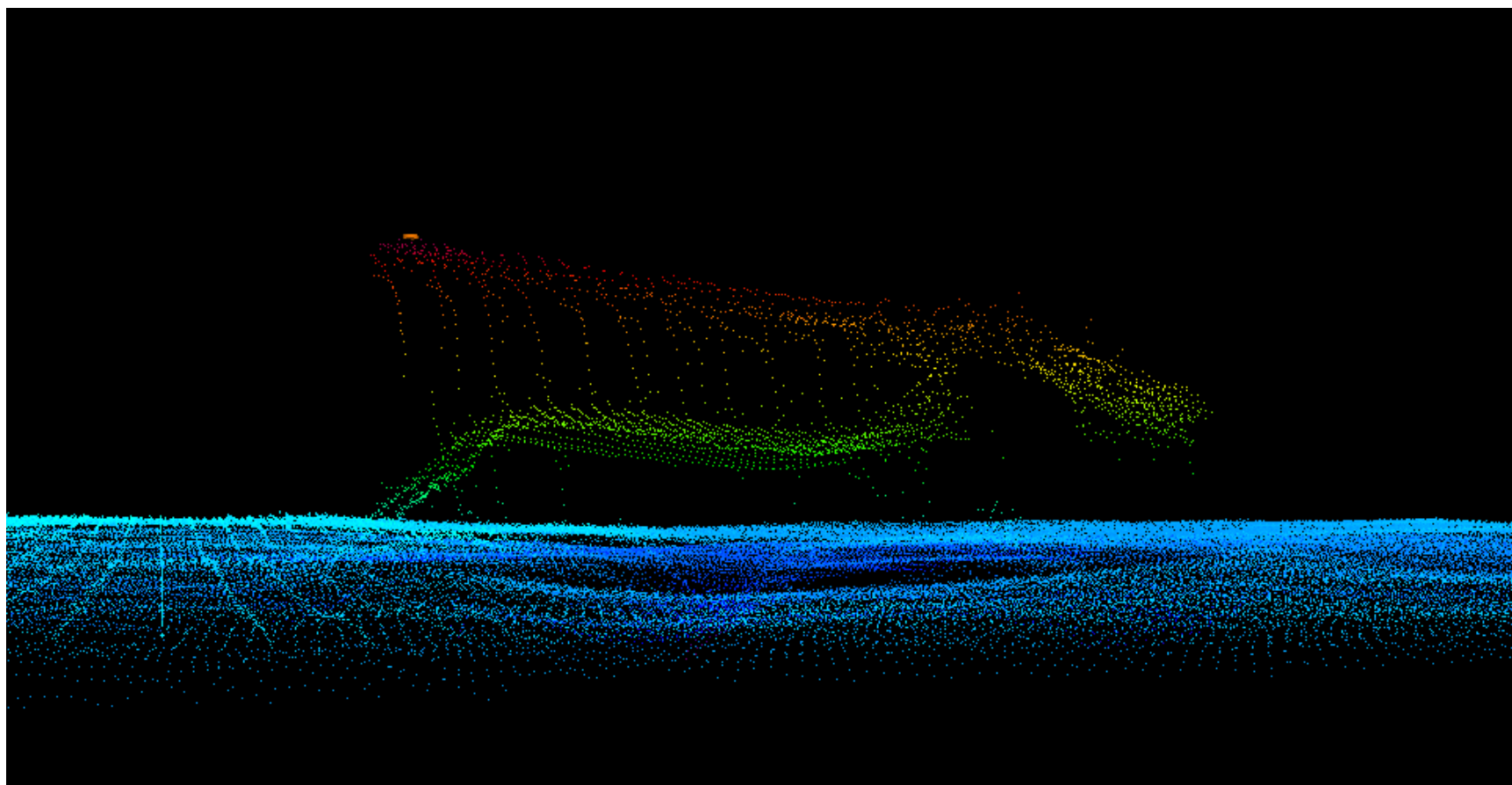


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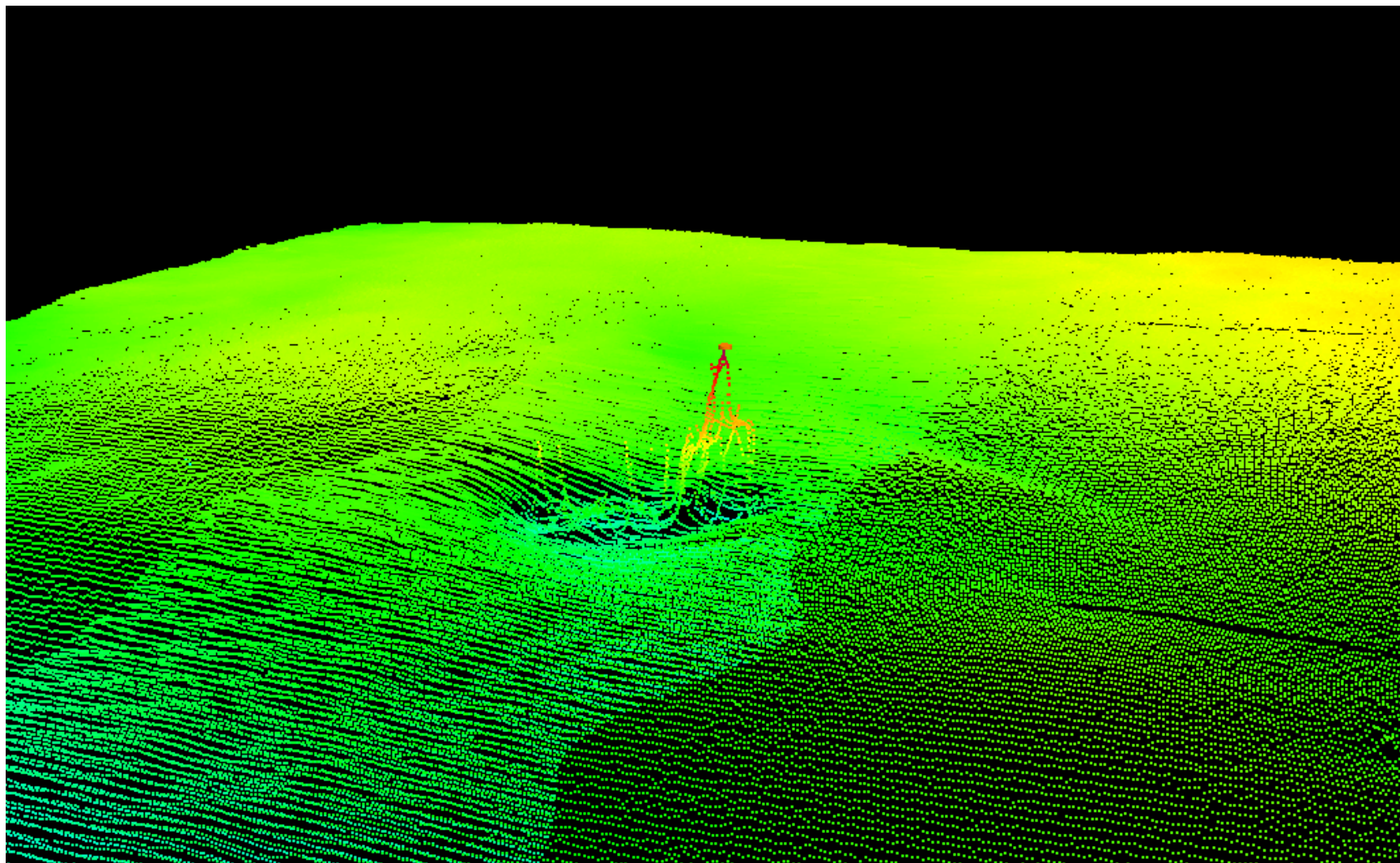


Figure 1.2.7

### 1.3) US 0001375595 00001 / H12309\_WRECKS.000

#### Survey Summary

**Survey Position:** 36° 59' 21.3" N, 075° 21' 47.2" W  
**Least Depth:** 19.57 m (= 64.22 ft = 10.703 fm = 10 fm 4.22 ft)  
**TPU ( $\pm 1.96\sigma$ ):** THU (TPEh) [None] ; TVU (TPEv) [None]  
**Timestamp:** 2011-130.00:00:00.000 (05/10/2011)  
**Dataset:** H12309\_WRECKS.000  
**FOID:** US 0001375595 00001(02260014FD6B0001)  
**Charts Affected:** 12200\_1, 13003\_1

#### Remarks:

WRECKS/remrks: This is one of many wrecks intentionally sunk to create the artificial reef named "Triangle Reef". Wreck found by side scan sonar and depths from MBES bathymetry. This artificial reef was assigned for investigation as AWOIS #14905. The least depth on this wreck is the least depth found in the Triangle Reef fish haven. This wreck has a least depth that is less than the charted authorized minimum depth for the fish haven. This item is submitted as the primary bathy feature for AWOIS #14905. Additional wrecks are included as secondary items to this feature, but are not reported individually.

#### Feature Correlation

Source	Feature	Range	Azimuth	Status
H12309_WRECKS.000	US 0001375595 00001	0.00	000.0	Primary

#### Hydrographer Recommendations

Chart dangerous wreck with least depth of 10.7 fathoms in position 36°59'21.277" , -075°21'47.227".

#### Cartographically-Rounded Depth (Affected Charts):

10 ¾fm (12200\_1, 13003\_1)

#### S-57 Data

**Geo object 1:** Wreck (WRECKS)  
**Attributes:** CATWRK - 2:dangerous wreck  
 NINFOM - Add wreck  
 QUASOU - 6:least depth known  
 SORDAT - 20110510  
 SORIND - US,US,graph,H12309



TECSOU - 2,3:found by side scan sonar,found by multi-beam

VALSOU - 19.573 m

WATLEV - 3:always under water/submerged

### Office Notes

SAR: Wreck found at survey position using MBES and SSS. Least depth of 19.6m (10.7fm) in fish haven (AWOIS 14905) with minimum depth of 11fm.

COMPILATION: Concur. Add wreck feature least depth 10fm 4ft inside fish haven limits in present survey position. Wreck is shoaler than fish haven min depth of 11 fms.

## Feature Images

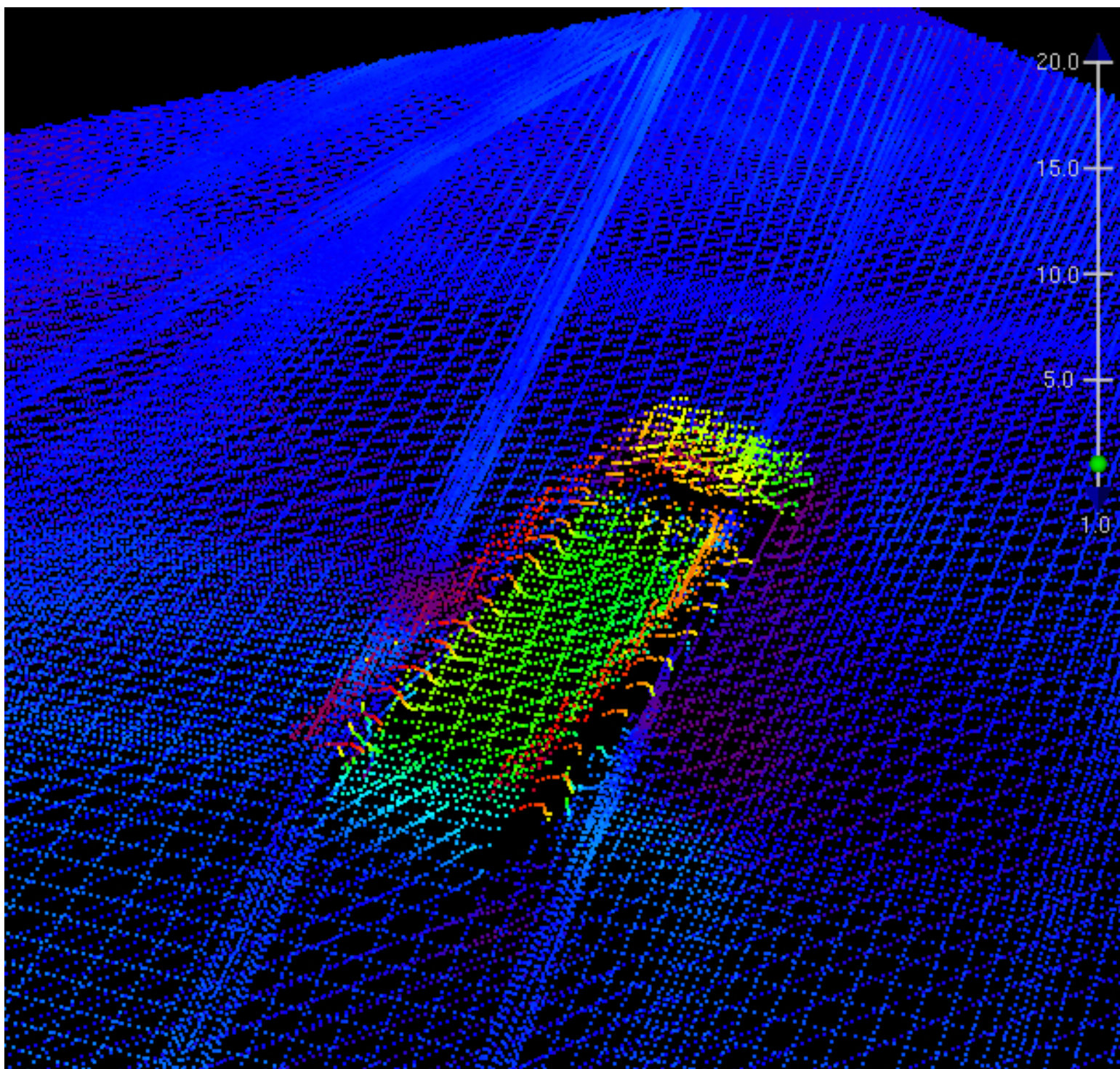


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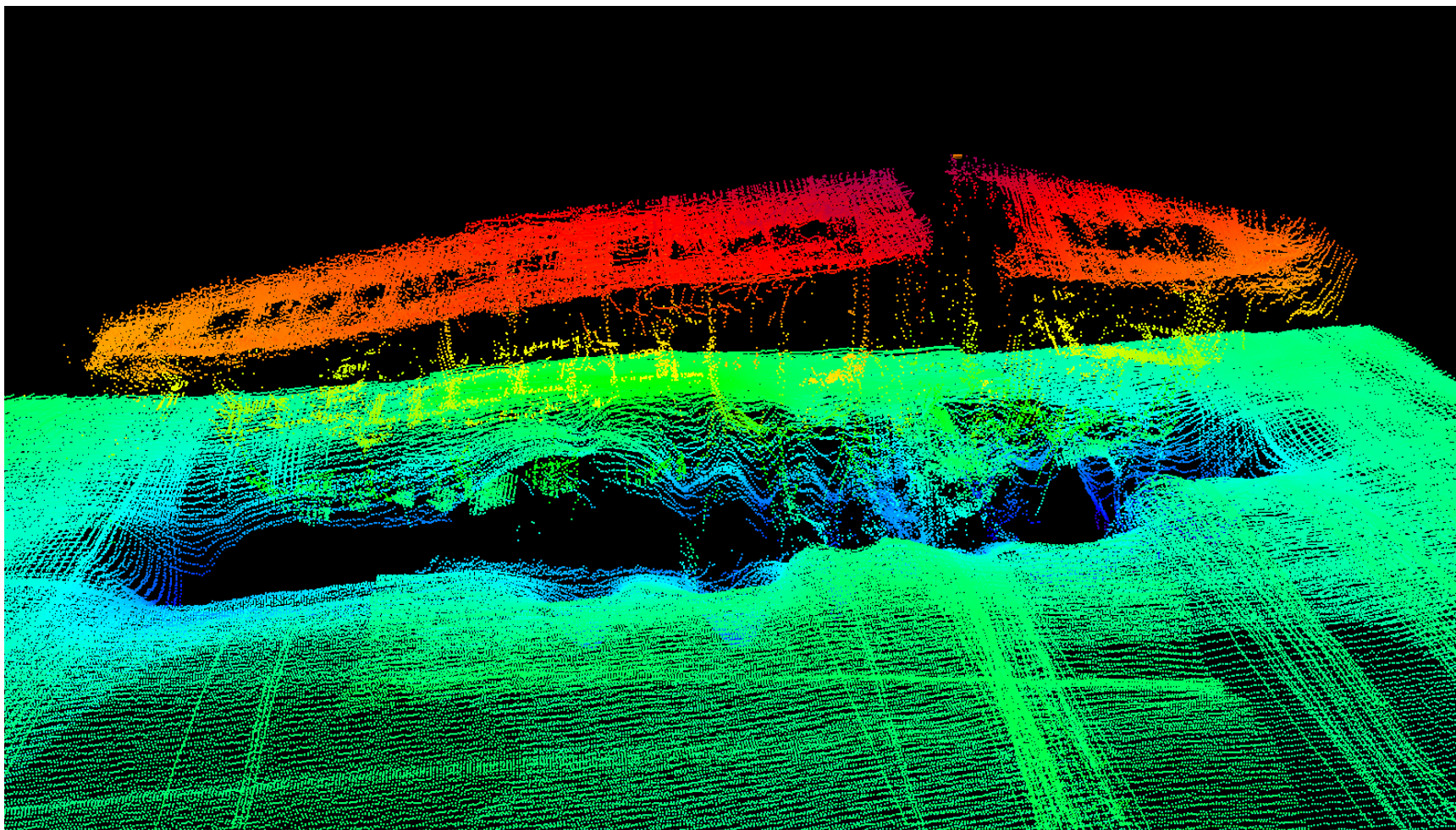


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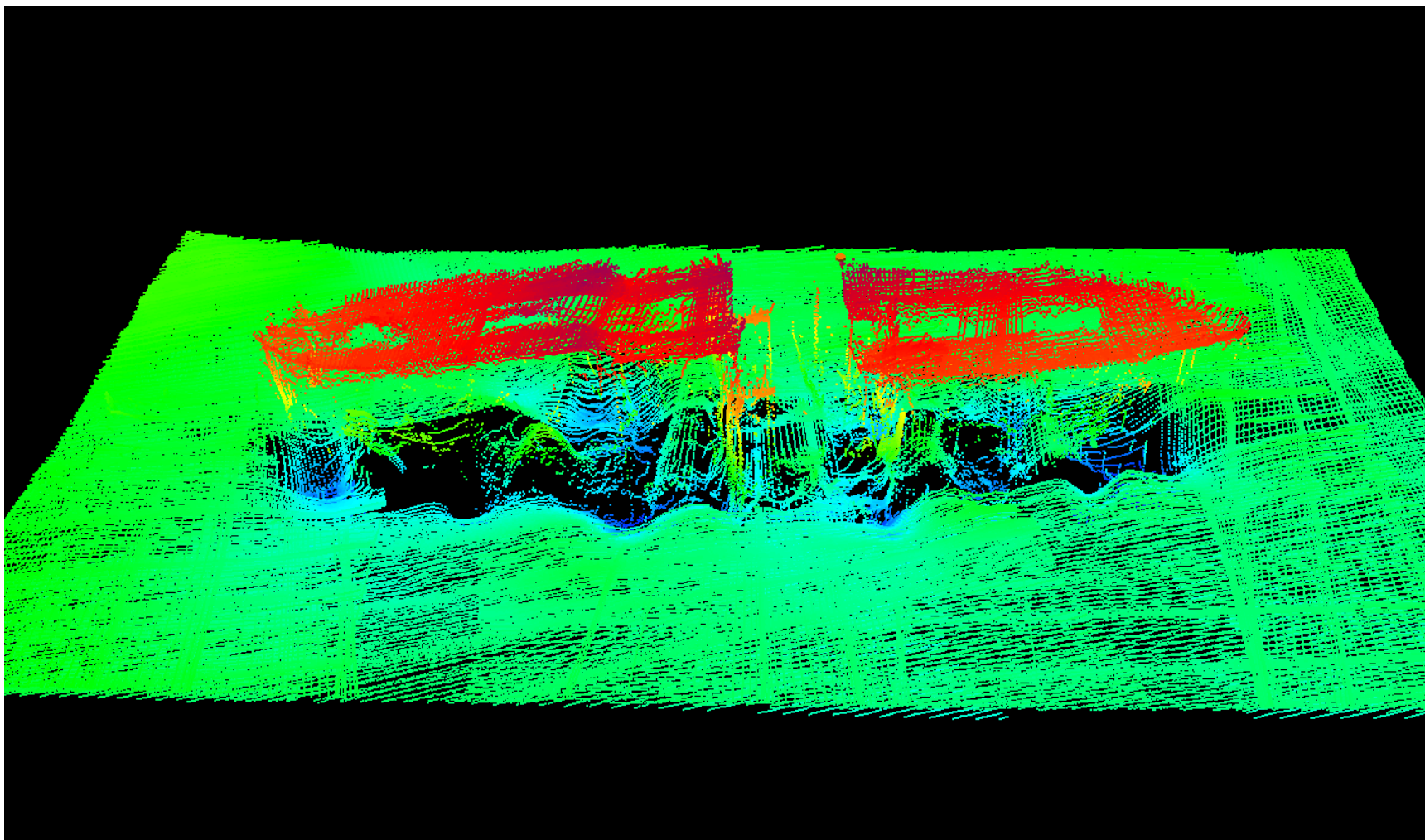


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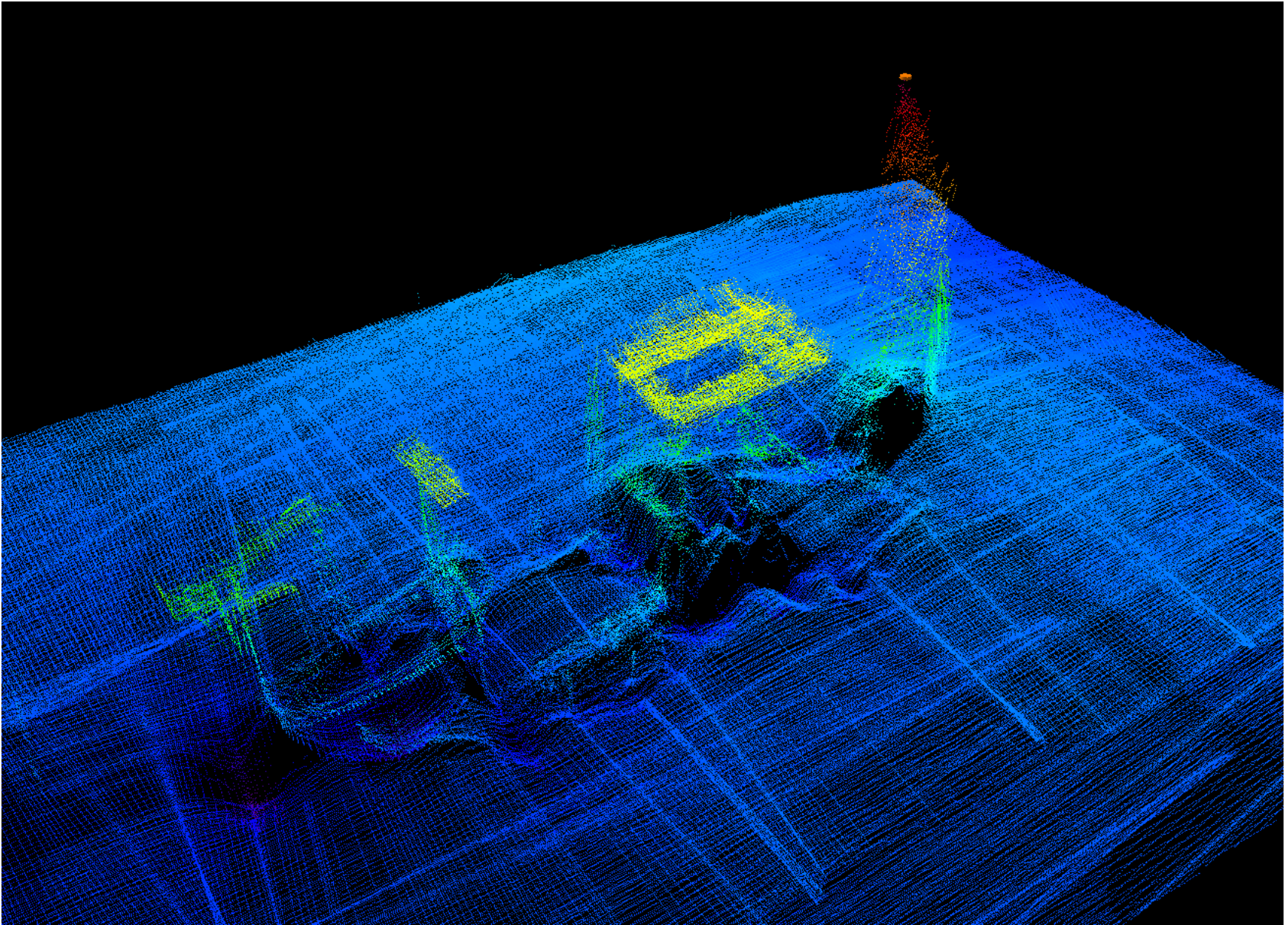


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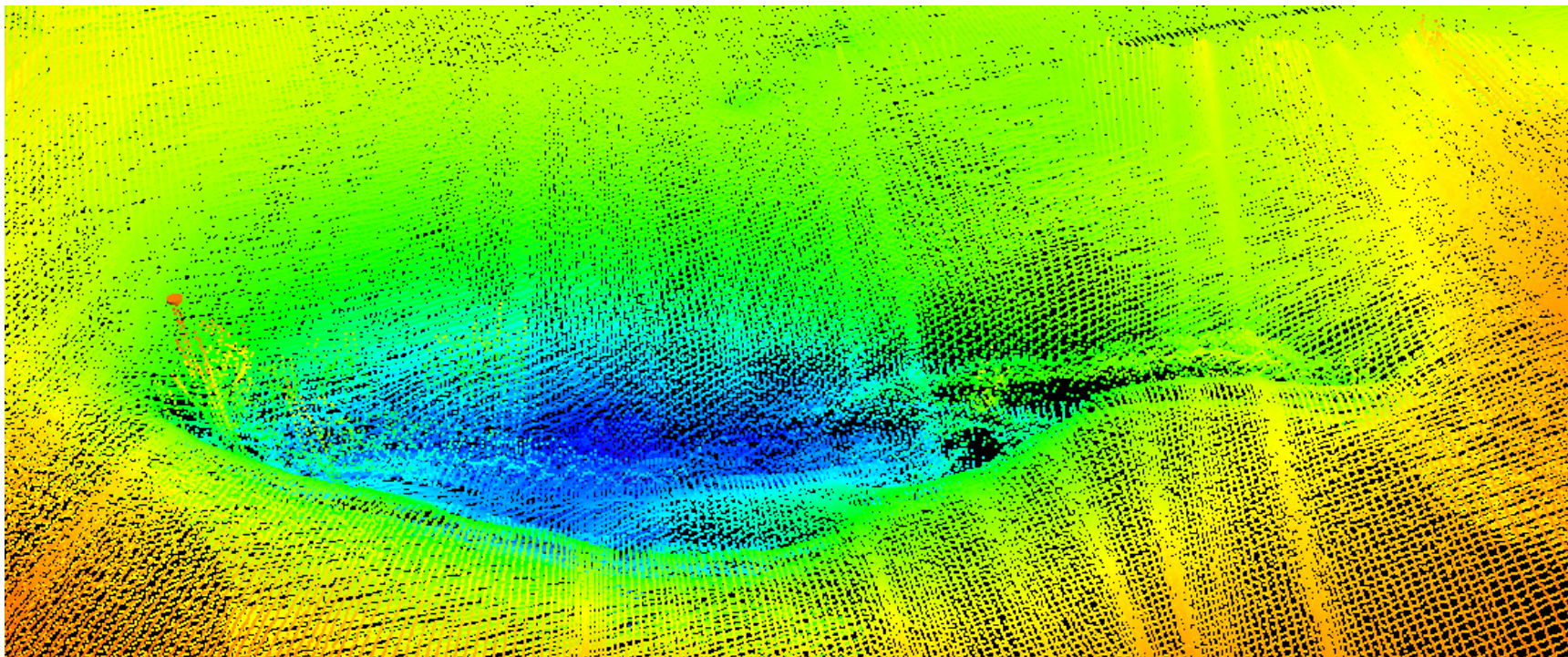


Figure 1.3.5

APPROVAL PAGE

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Data meet or exceed current specifications as certified by the OCS survey acceptance review process. Descriptive Report and survey data except where noted are adequate to supersede prior surveys and nautical charts in the common area.

The following products will be sent to NGDC for archive

- H12309\_DR.pdf
- Collection of depth varied resolution BAGS
- Processed survey data and records
- H12309\_GeoImage.pdf

The survey evaluation and verification has been conducted according current OCS Specifications, and the survey has been approved for dissemination and usage of updating NOAA's suite of nautical charts.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

**LT Abigail Higgins**  
Chief, Atlantic Hydrographic Branch